

# はじめの一歩

THE FIGHTING!



森川ジョージ

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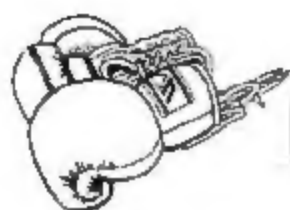
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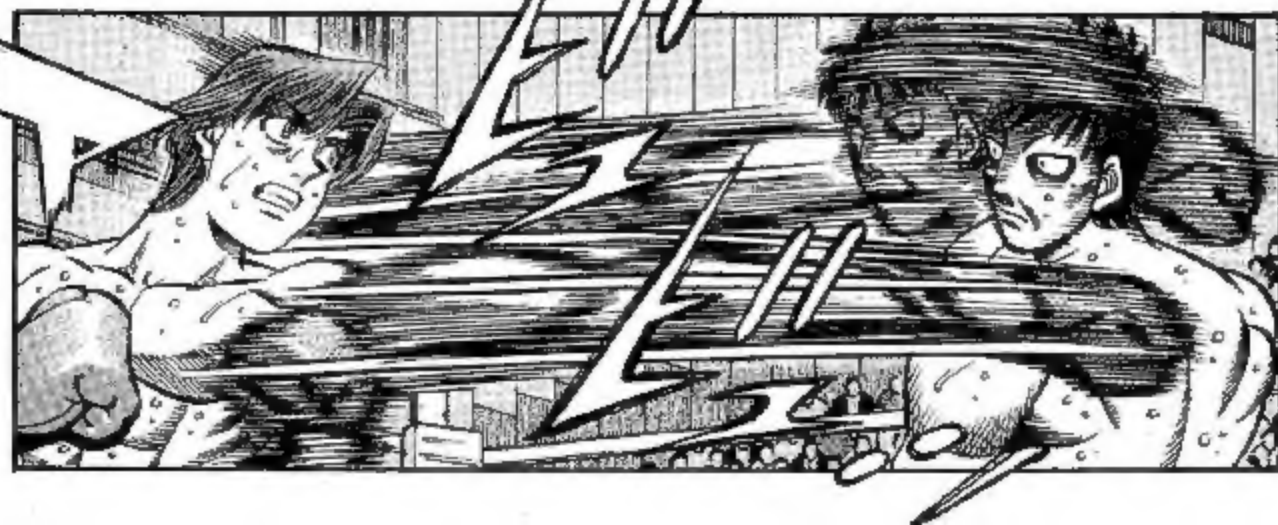
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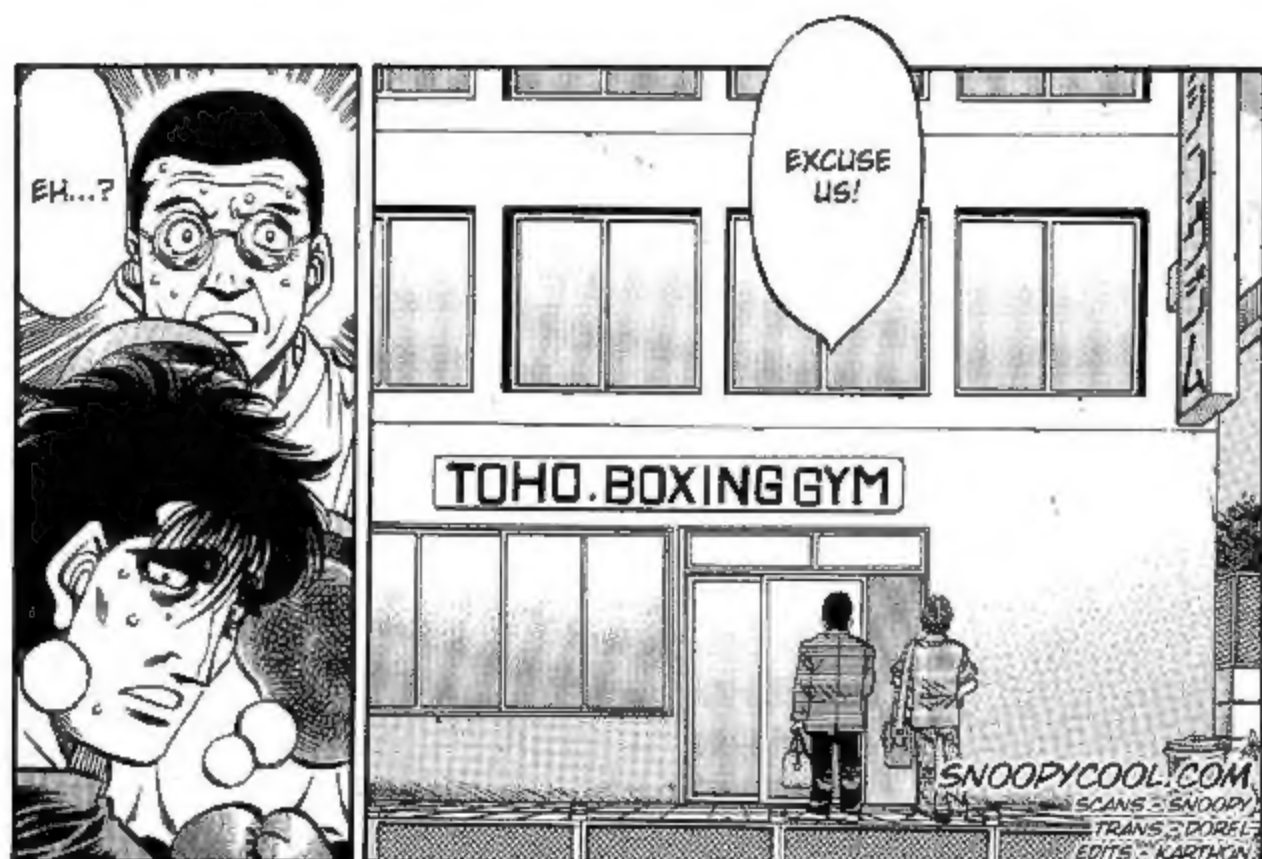


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**Round 562**

*The Man Who Destroyed  
My Confidence*

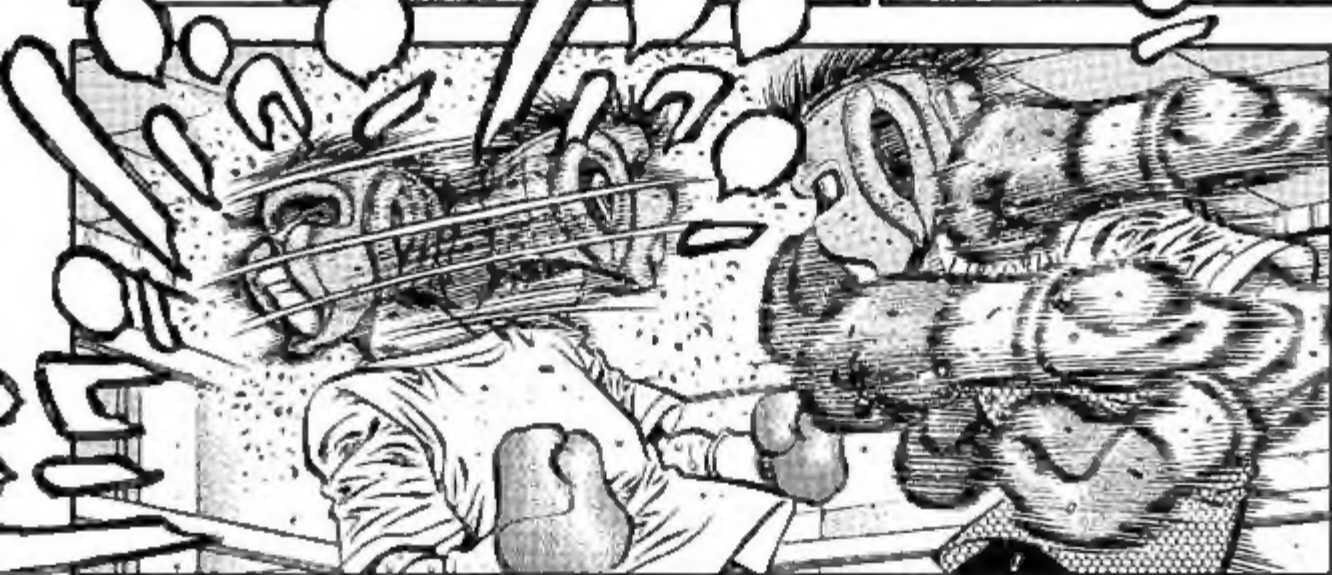
















AND HE ALL BUT  
ADMITTED TO  
USING FOULS  
A WARPED  
PERSONALITY

HE'S A  
SCARILY  
MODEST  
GUY



WHAT  
HAS HE  
BEEN  
THROUGH  
...?

I'LL LEAVE THE  
RESEARCH UP  
TO YOU!



FOR ITAGAKI  
MANABU,  
WHO'S STILL  
USED TO TAKING  
POINTS FROM  
HIS AMATEUR  
DAYS, HE'S GOING  
TO BE A REALLY  
DANGEROUS  
OPPONENT

EVEN IF  
YOU TAKE  
THE FOULS  
AWAY HE  
CAN STILL  
FIGHT



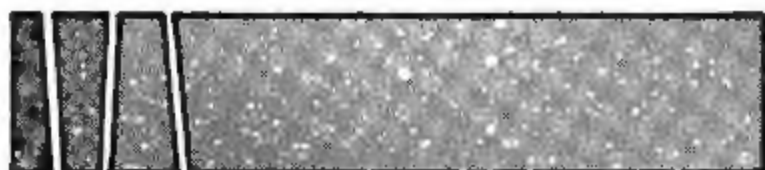
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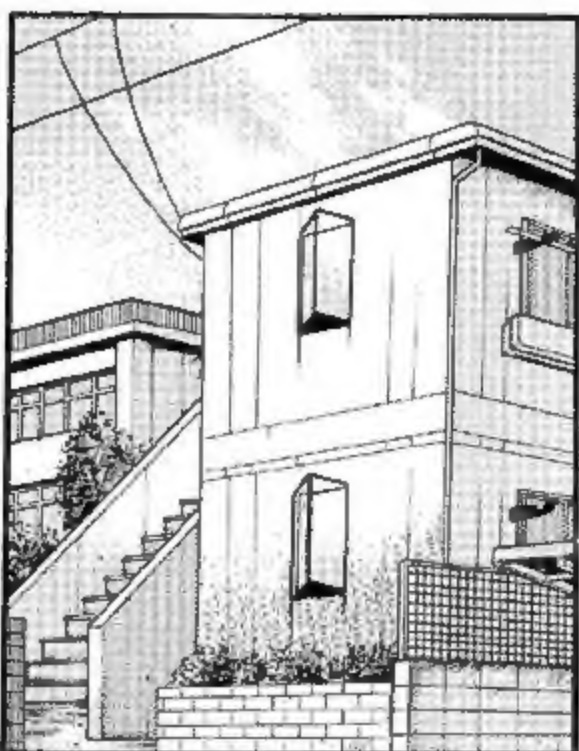
THE POSSIBILITY  
THAT THEIR FIRST  
MATCH WILL REPEAT  
ITSELF



HE'S SO  
USED TO  
THE HITMAN  
STYLE ONE  
MIGHT THINK  
IT WAS HIS  
TRUE NATURE

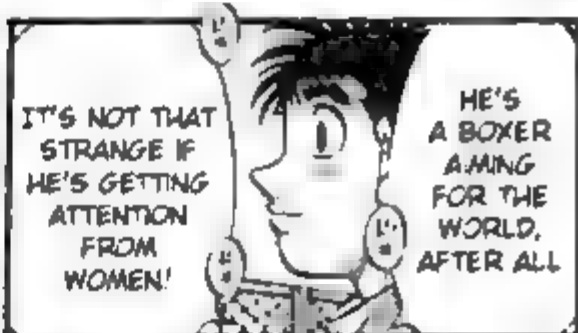
IT MUST  
BE THE  
RESULT OF  
STRENUOUS  
TRAINING



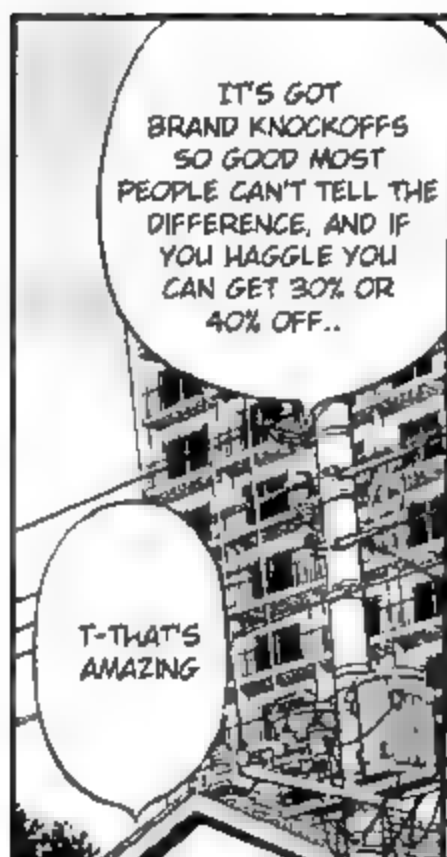














IT MAY SOUND LIKE A LIE BUT IT'S A TRUE STORY

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT. A MAN AND A WOMAN SPENT A NIGHT TOGETHER AND NOTHING HAPPENED

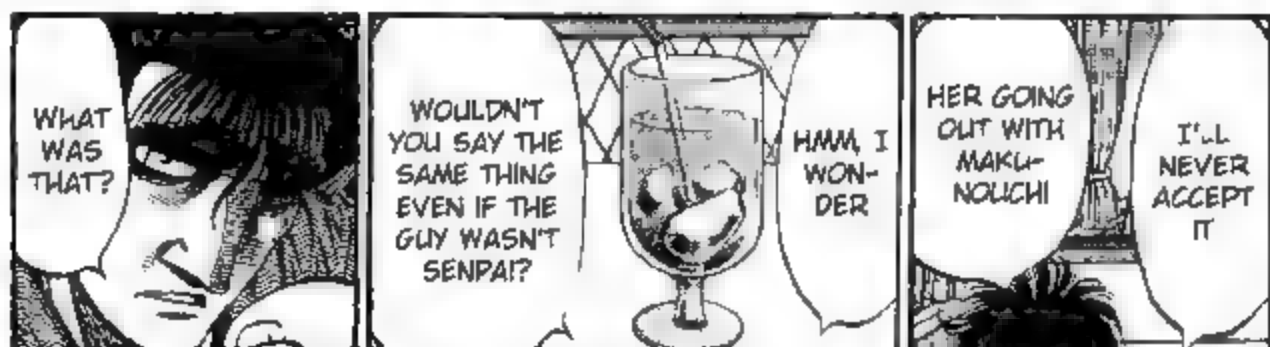


I LIKE IT THAT WAY!

IT'S JUST TOO BAD THOSE TWO AREN'T MAKING ANY PROGRESS

SO IT WAS YOU, ITAGAKI!

I THOUGHT HE KNEW A LOT LATELY.



WHAT WAS THAT?

WOULDN'T YOU SAY THE SAME THING EVEN IF THE GUY WASN'T SENPAI?

HMM, I WONDER

HER GOING OUT WITH MAKU-NOUCHI

I'LL NEVER ACCEPT IT



WHAT A DANGEROUS LINE OF CONVERSATION...

WHA

I'M SAYING THAT MASHIBA-SAN'S ATTITUDE ISN'T RIGHT!



わい



ISN'T IT  
TRUE THAT  
MASHIBA  
-SAN IS  
PART OF  
THE REASON  
WHY?

KUMI-SAN  
IS SUCH  
A NICE  
LADY BUT  
SHE STILL  
DOESN'T  
HAVE A  
BOYFRIEND



I-  
I  
CAN'T

S-STOP  
THEM,  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI  
-SAN



I'M  
HER  
GUAR-  
DIAN!

THE  
TWO OF  
US HAVE  
NO  
PARENT



WHY  
YOU  
...



WE  
HAVE  
TO  
STOP  
THEM...



MANABU-  
KUN IS  
GOING  
TO BE  
KILLED



THAT  
ISN'T  
RIGHT!









MAKINOUCHI  
IPPO!

THE MAN  
WHO  
DESTROYED  
MY SELF-  
CONFIDENCE  
WAS...



IT  
REAL-  
LY  
GOT  
TO ME  
...

HOWEVER  
WHEN  
SENPAI  
LECTURED  
ME IN THE  
WAITING  
ROOM  
AFTER MY  
DEBUT  
MATCH

I WAS  
REALLY COCKY:  
I THOUGHT IT  
WAS FINE IF  
I LOST SO LONG  
AS I WON  
THE NEXT TIME,  
AND I'D  
GET OVER  
THE LOSS IN  
JUST A DAY.

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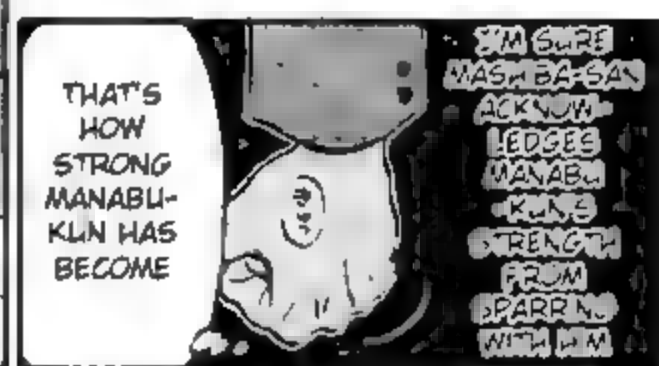


JUST  
A FEW  
WORDS  
FROM  
SENPAI...

WHEN HE  
SAID  
"SOMEONE  
LIKE YOU  
ISN'T A  
PRO," I  
FELT LIKE  
I'D BEEN  
HIT...

BUT I'D  
ALWAYS  
BELIEVED  
THAT I  
WAS DOING  
ENOUGH  
TO GET BY  
IN THE  
PROS











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BUT EVEN  
SO I'M  
ALWAYS  
PRETTY  
BEATEN UP  
AFTER  
EACH  
SPAR



DESPITE  
WHAT HE  
SAYS, HE'S  
REALLY  
GOING  
EASY  
ON ME



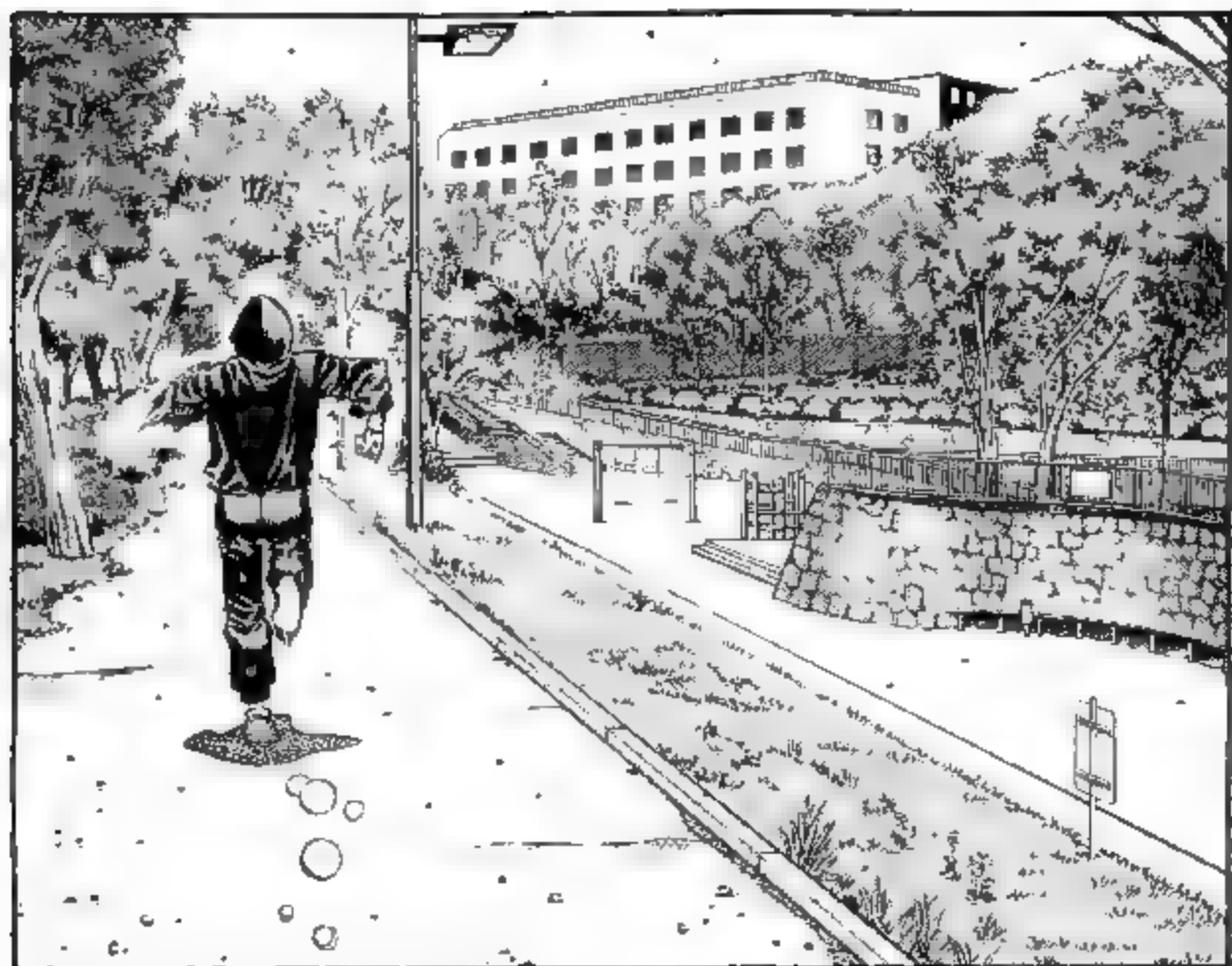


# HAJIME NO IPPO CHAPTER 555 CHARACTER POPULARITY POLE RESULTS!!



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Round 563 The spirit of a weed



# 水神中央東総合病院









I'LL SHOW  
YOU THAT  
ANYTHING IS  
POSSIBLE IF  
YOU KEEP  
TRYING  
AND TRYING!

THERE'S  
NOTHING YOU  
CAN'T DO  
IF YOU TRY  
HARD ENOUGH

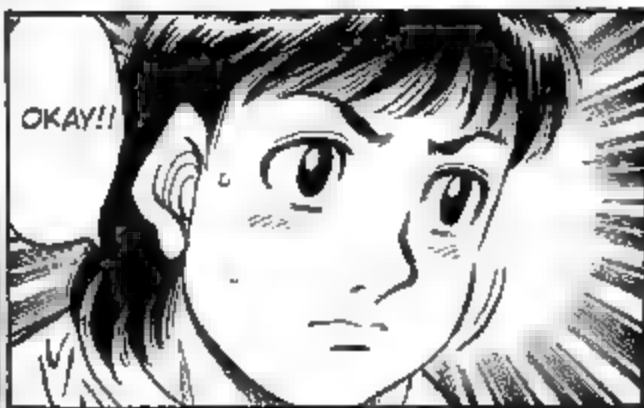


I'LL  
DEFINITELY  
WIN, SO

YOU DO  
YOUR BEST  
TOO!



OKAY!!





YOUR FACIAL  
EXPRESSION  
WHEN TALKING  
TO THAT  
KID AND  
YOUR FACE  
RIGHT NOW...



WHICH  
ONE IS  
THE REAL  
YOU?



HE SAID IF  
I WANTED  
TO GATHER  
MATERIALS I  
WOULD FIND  
YOU HERE.

THAT YOU  
DID YOUR  
ROADWORK  
IN THIS  
PARK



YOUR  
COACH  
TOLD ME  
ABOUT IT



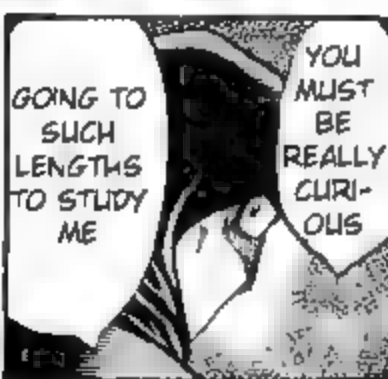
THEN  
PLEASE  
WATCH  
WHERE  
YOU  
STEP!

INTER-  
ESTED  
?



IN YOUR  
FIGHTING  
STYLE AND  
IN YOUR  
WORDS...

I'M  
INTER-  
ESTED  
...



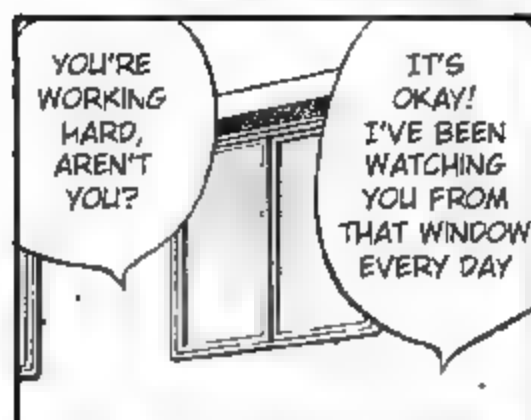
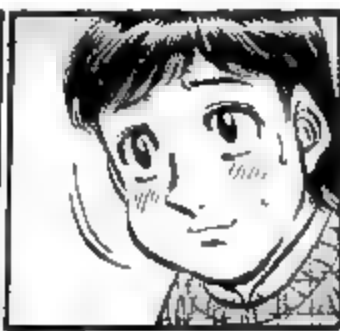
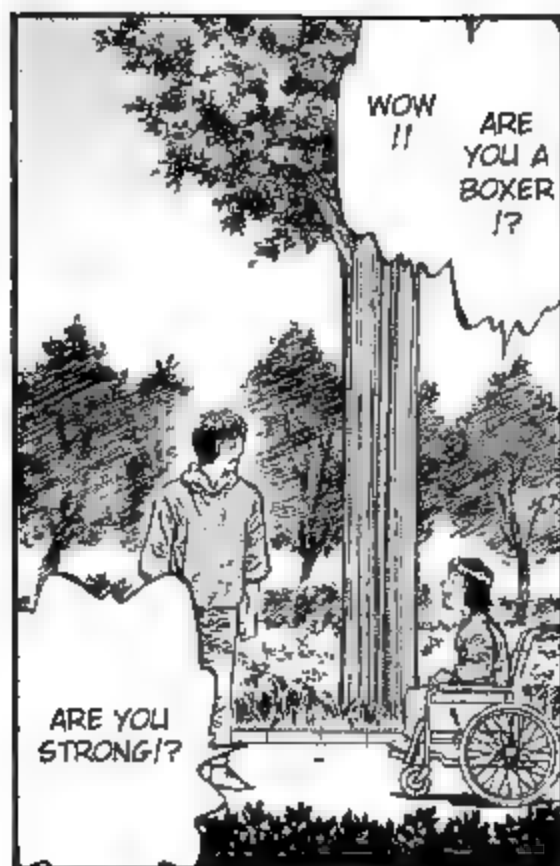
GOING TO  
SUCH  
LENGTHS  
TO STUDY  
ME

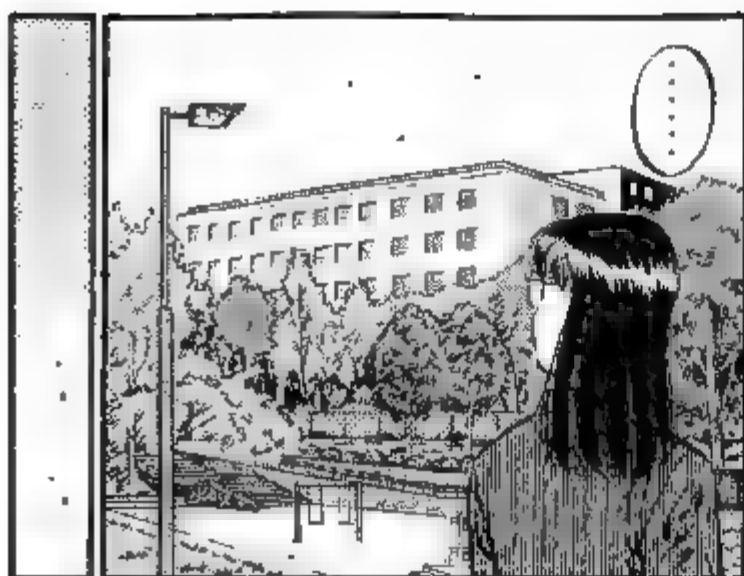
YOU  
MUST  
BE  
REALLY  
CURI-  
OUS





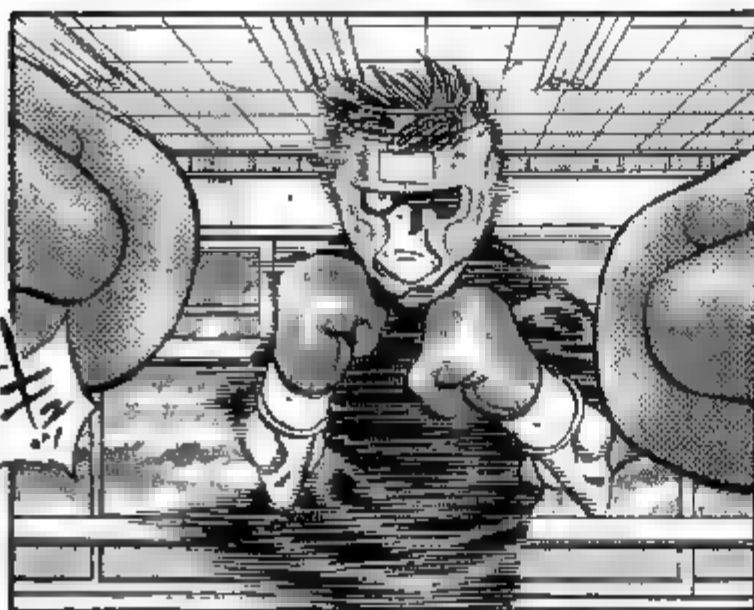






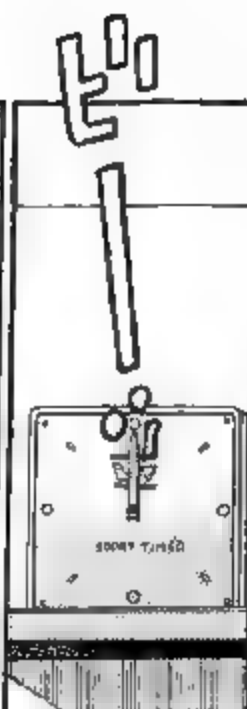
IF MAKINO  
KEEPS  
WINNING,  
IT WILL  
GIVE HIM  
COURAGE.  
IS WHAT  
MAKINO  
SAID...

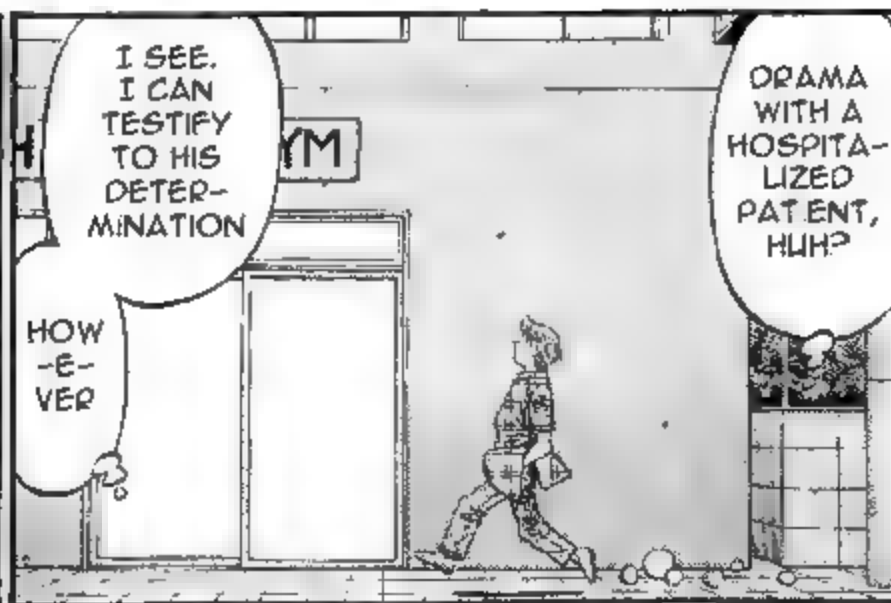
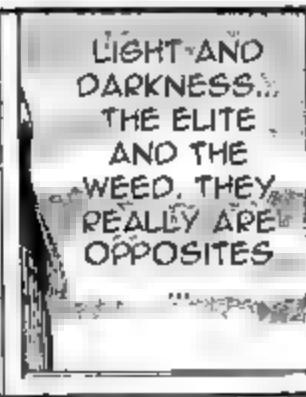
ATSUSHI  
IS  
YOUNG.  
SO  
HE'S  
AFRAID  
OF  
SURG-  
ERY













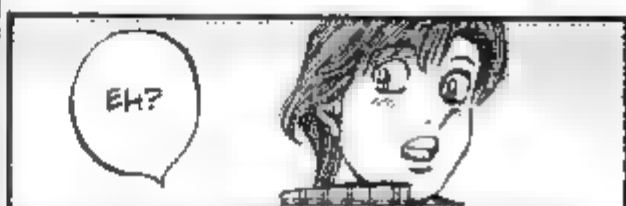


YOUR  
WEIGHT  
CLASS HAS  
MAKLI-  
NOUCHI  
IN IT



IF  
YOU  
KEPT  
WINNING

IF  
YOU  
WON  
...



EH?



WHAT  
WILL YOU  
DO THEN?



BUT IF  
YOU KEEP  
WINNING  
AND BUILD  
UP YOUR  
POWER

A TIME  
WILL COME  
WHEN YOU'LL  
WANT TO  
TEST THAT  
POWER.



THANKS  
FOR  
EVERYTHING!

I'LL  
DEFINITELY  
COME AND  
TELL YOU  
ABOUT  
MY WIN!!



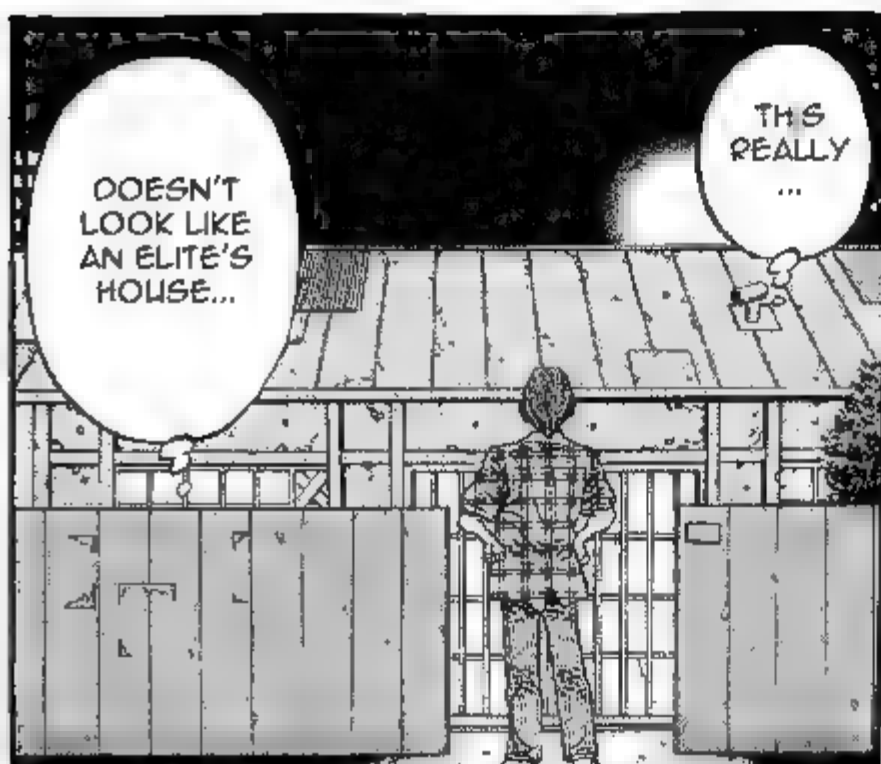
I'LL  
JUST WAIT  
UNTIL SENPAI  
RELINQUISHES  
THE TITLE!

NO  
NEED  
TO  
WORRY!



FEH

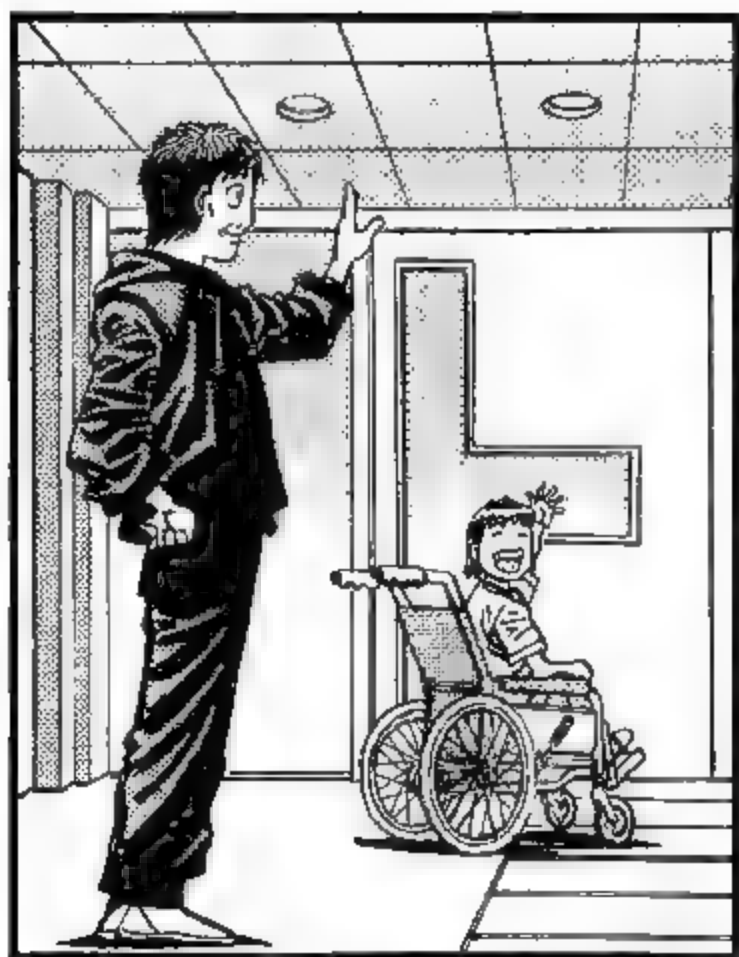








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East Japan Rookie Kings semi-finals

|   |
|---|
| Featherweight Up to 57.1 kilograms                        |
| Imai Kyouzuke (Otsuwa) 4R Terai Makoto (Haba)             |
| 5 fights 5 wins 3 KO 5 fights 4 wins 1 draw 2 KO          |
| Itagaki Manabu (Kamogawa) 4R Makino Fumito (Sayama)       |
| 5 fights 4 wins 1 loss 4 KO 6 fights 4 wins 2 losses 4 KO |



ラウンド  
**Round 564**

Why he's obsessed  
with winning



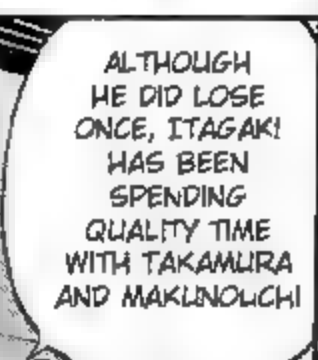
B-2  
FOR  
ITA-  
GAKI!



WHAT'S  
YOUR  
PREDIC-  
TION?



HE'S  
MADE  
STARTLING  
PROGRESS



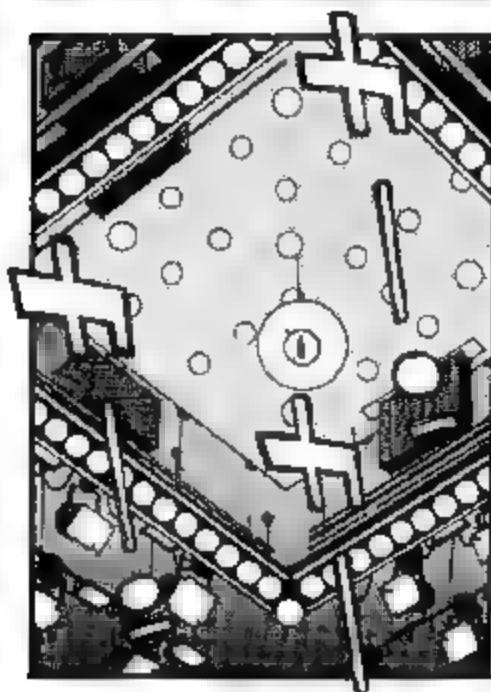
ALTHOUGH  
HE DID LOSE  
ONCE, ITAGAKI  
HAS BEEN  
SPENDING  
QUALITY TIME  
WITH TAKAMURA  
AND MAKINOLCHI



IT WILL  
BE A  
ONE-  
SIDED  
MATCH!



IF THEY  
FIGHT  
FAIRLY



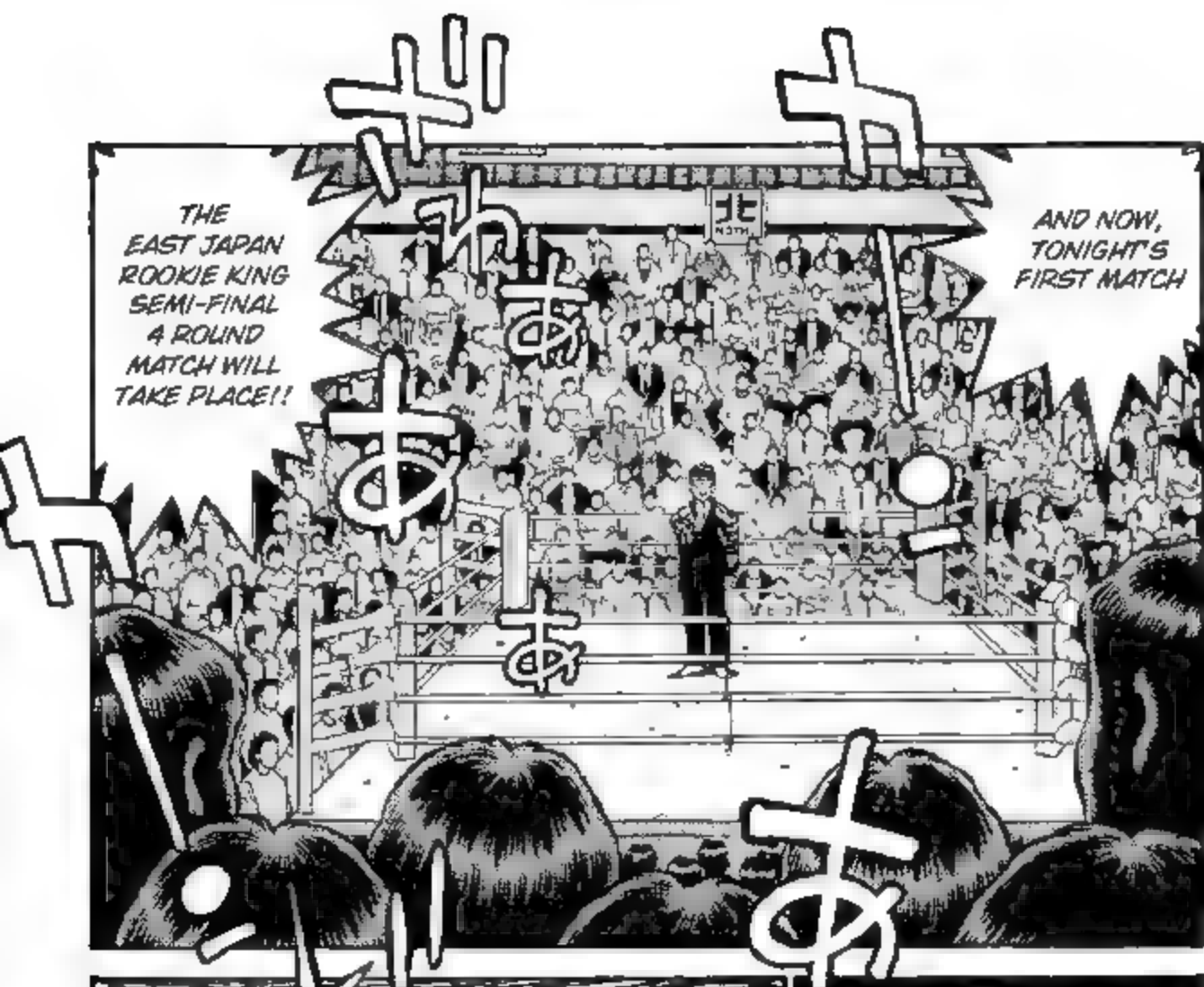
"FAIRLY"  
IS GOING  
TO BE THE  
KEYWORD  
HERE.



THAT ... I'M  
SURE

THE  
EAST JAPAN  
ROOKIE KING  
SEMI-FINAL  
4 ROUND  
MATCH WILL  
TAKE PLACE!!

AND NOW,  
TONIGHT'S  
FIRST MATCH



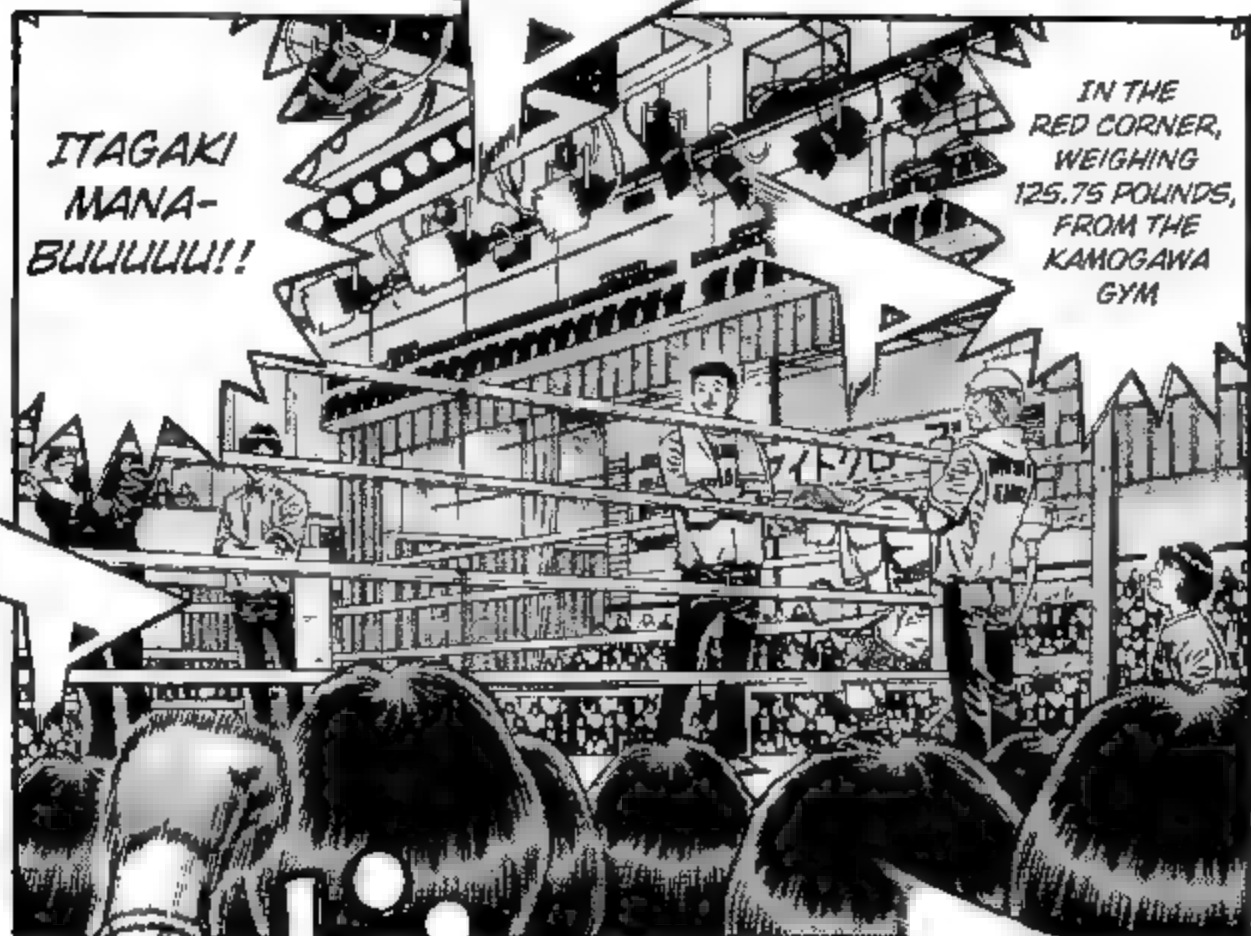






ITAGAKI  
MANA-  
BUUUUU!!

IN THE  
RED CORNER,  
WEIGHING  
125.75 POUNDS,  
FROM THE  
KAMOGAWA  
GYM



YEAH

IN-  
SIDE?

HE  
MAY BE  
ACTING  
FANCY  
BUT  
HOW  
IS HE  
DOING...



IT'S OKAY,  
BROCCOMAN  
IS POPULAR  
WITH THE  
KIDS!

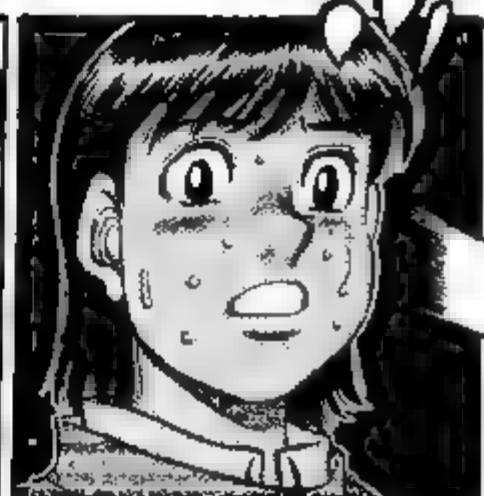
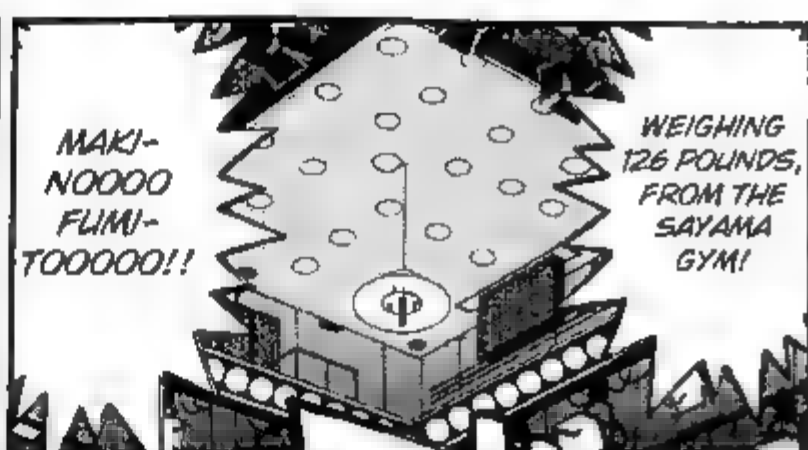
THIS IS  
THE SIDE  
OF ITAGAKI!  
I DON'T  
LIKE.



DON'T  
LOSE

KO HIM,  
OKAY?











I'M  
GONNA  
WIN!



WATCH  
ME  
ATLASH



STARE  
HIM  
DOWN!

WOOOH,  
MAKINO'S  
ALL FIRED  
UP!

DON'T  
LOSE,  
ITAGAKI!

THAT GUY  
CAN DO  
ANYTHING,  
SO BE  
CAREFUL!



NO  
MATTER  
WHAT  
HAPPENS,  
DON'T  
FORGET  
YOUR OWN  
RHYTHM!

JUST BE  
AWARE  
THAT  
THERE  
MIGHT  
BE  
FOLLS



ITAGAKI!  
FACE IMAI  
IN THE  
FINALS!

GO  
FOR IT,  
ITAGAKI-KUN!

GOOD LUCK!

WATCH  
OUT FOR  
HIS HEAD  
AND  
ELBOW!

KICK  
THAT  
CHEATING  
BASTARD'S  
ASS!

PAY  
CLOSE  
ATTENTION  
TO THEIR  
LEFTS

BOTH OF  
THESE  
BOXERS  
RELY ON  
THEIR  
LEFTS FOR  
EVERY-  
THING!

IS THIS  
YOUR FIRST  
TIME  
WATCHING  
BOXING?

I  
GUESS  
HE  
CAN'T  
RELAX?

ITAGAKI'S  
HANDS  
ARE  
USUALLY  
LOWER  
THAN  
THIS

HIS  
RIGHT  
FIST IS  
RATHER  
HIGH

MAKINO-  
KUN'S  
FLICKER!

I THINK  
HE'S WATCH-  
ING OUT FOR  
THE OTHER  
GUY'S LEFT

HASN'T  
HE  
GOTTEN  
RATHER  
STIFF?

FUMI-  
TO-  
KUN...

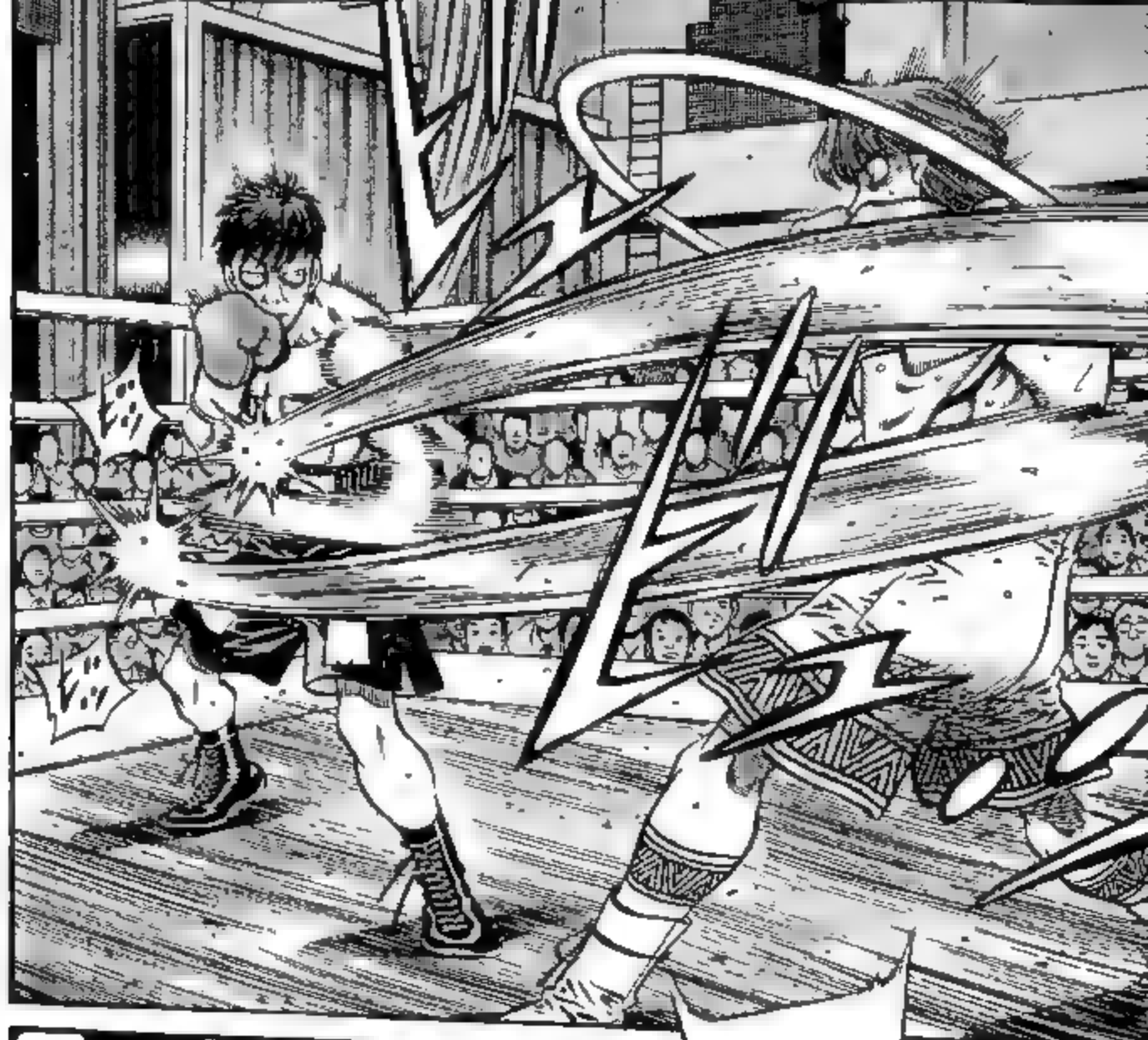
Y-  
YEAH

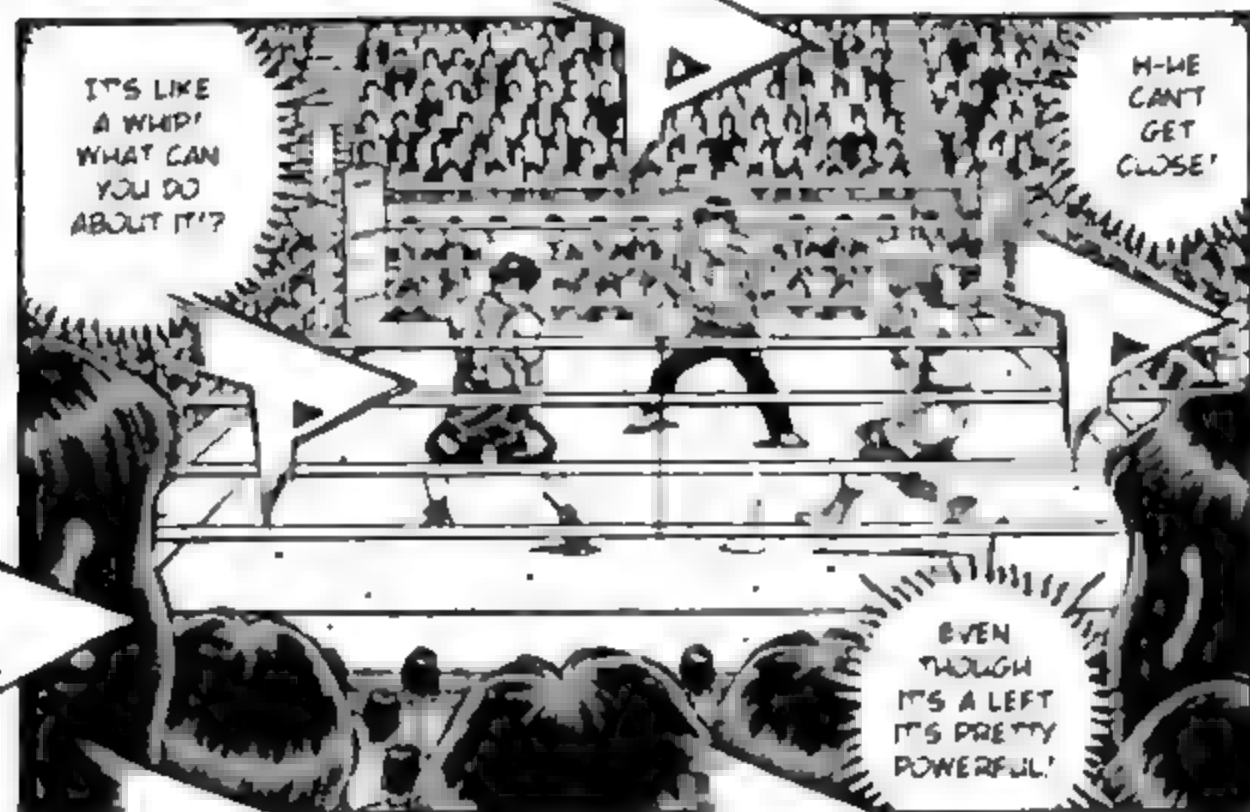




BE CAREFUL, ITAGAKI!











WHAT  
SHOULD  
HE DO,  
IPPO!?



HE TRAINED WITH  
MASHIBA, SHOULD  
HE BE ABLE  
TO COUNTER IT?



I CAN'T  
EVEN SEE  
HIS HANDS!

A-  
AMAZING,  
FUMITO-  
KUN



IF IT  
WERE  
ME...



BOTH  
IPPO  
AND I  
SUFFERED  
FROM IT

THAT  
THING  
REALLY  
ISN'T  
NORMAL



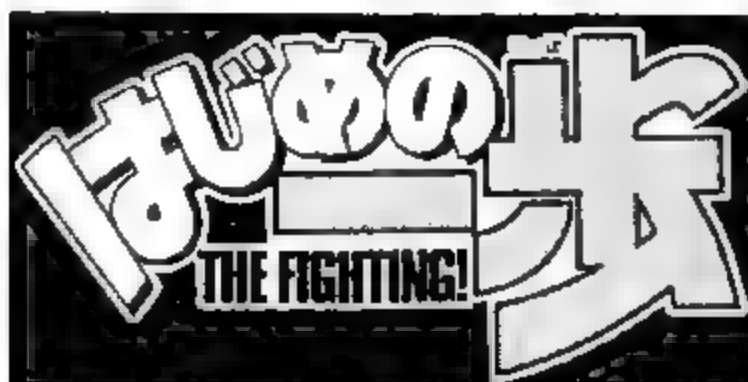
YOU CAN'T  
DEFEAT THE  
FLICKER IF  
YOU'RE NOT  
PREPARED  
TO TAKE  
SOME RISKS

I MIGHT  
TAKE A  
COUPLE OF  
PUNCHES,  
BUT

I'D  
TIGHTEN  
MY  
GUARD  
AND  
JUMP IN



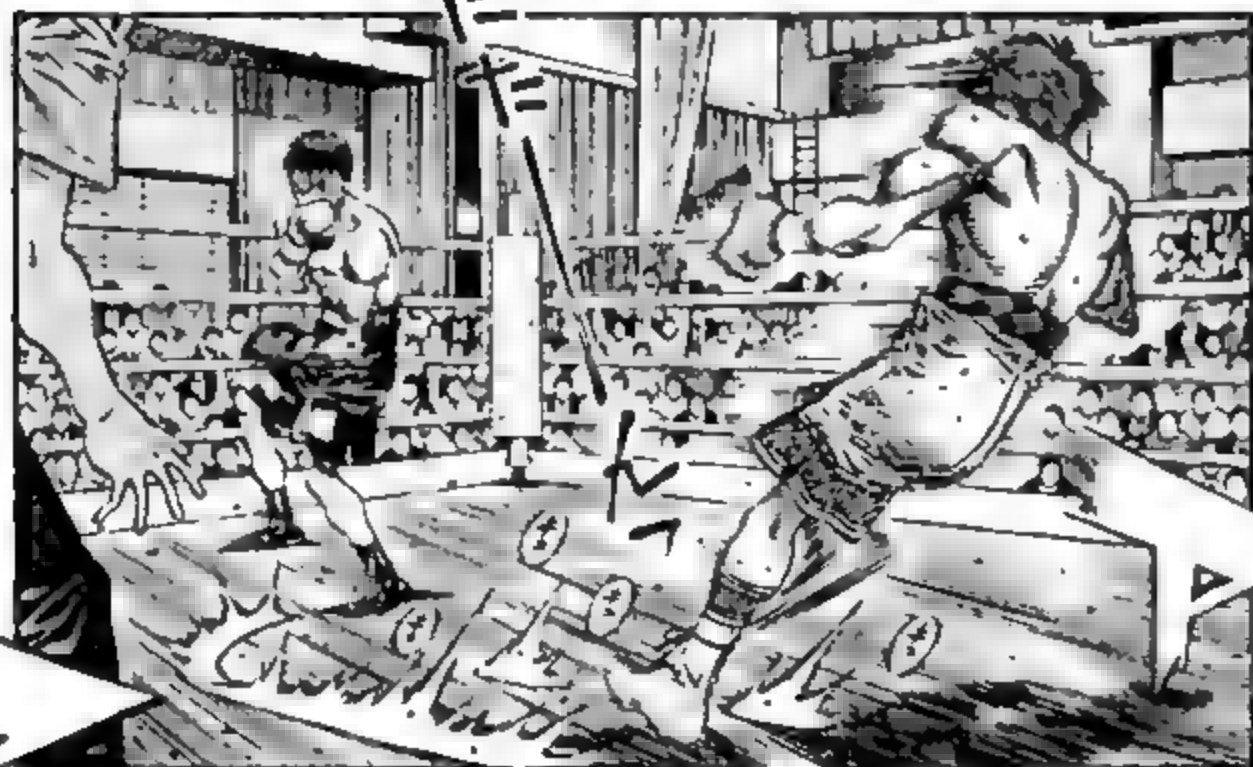




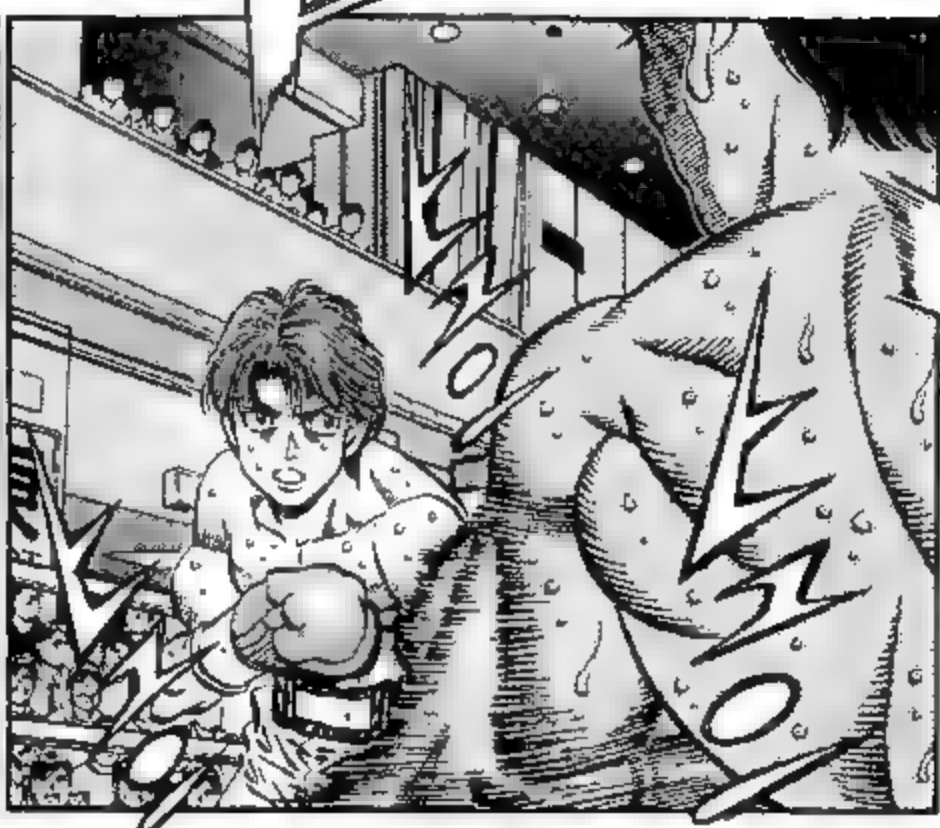
Round 565 What he was born with



100  
20







THAT'S  
GOT TO  
PILE ON  
THE  
PRESS-  
SURE

THE  
FUCKER  
IS FAST  
AND HARD  
TO READ



IT'S NOT  
FATIGUE,  
IT'S COLD  
SWEAT!

IT ONLY  
JUST  
STARTED  
AND HE'S  
ALREADY  
SWEATING  
LIKE THIS



LAST TIME  
I LOST  
COMPLETE-  
LY TO  
ITAGAKI'S  
SPEED

I DIDN'T  
THINK I  
COULD  
EVEN  
TOUCH  
HIM!



HE MUST  
HAVE  
PRACTICED  
LIKE HELL

MAKINO IS  
COMPLETELY  
USED TO  
THAT STYLE

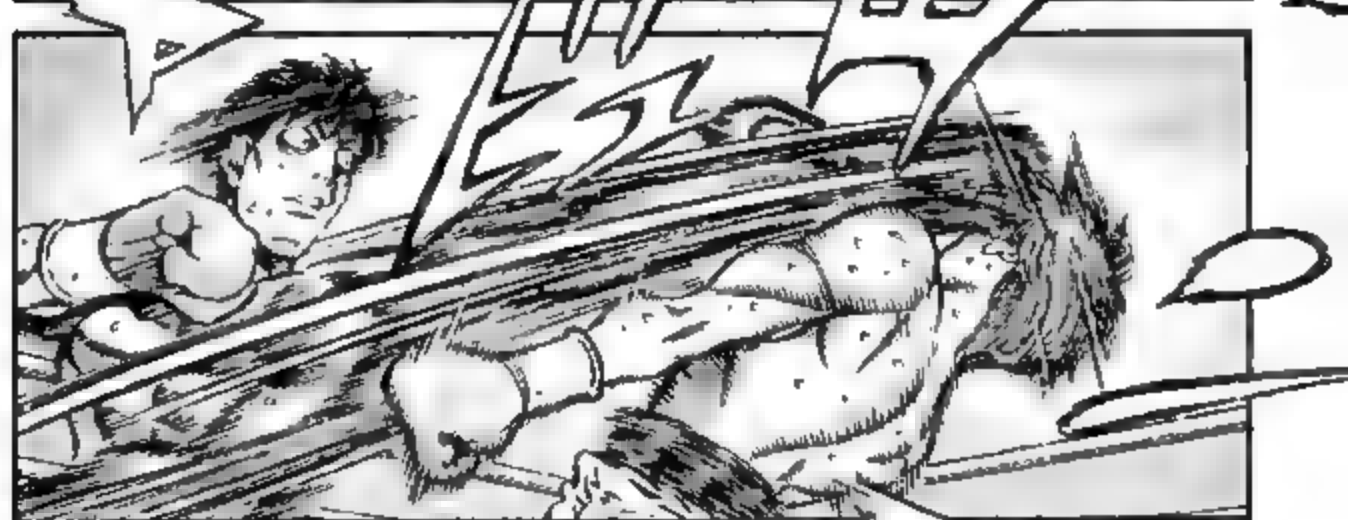


HE'S FOUND  
A STYLE  
THAT SUITS  
HIM PERFECTLY  
THROUGH  
PRACTICE.

BOTH THE  
SPEED  
AND THE  
ANGLE  
OF THE  
PUNCHES  
ARE GOOD

I CAN  
TELL IT'S  
THE REAL  
THING





TSSS

WATCH  
OUT!

RAISE  
YOUR  
GUARD!  
DON'T  
JUST  
STAND  
THERE!!



AAAH,  
HE'S  
TRAPPED!

GET AWAY  
FROM  
THE ROPES!

IT'S  
DANGER-  
OUS OVER  
THERE!

USE YOUR  
FEET AND  
GO AROUND  
HIM!

WHAT'S  
WRONG?  
WHAT'S  
WRONG?!

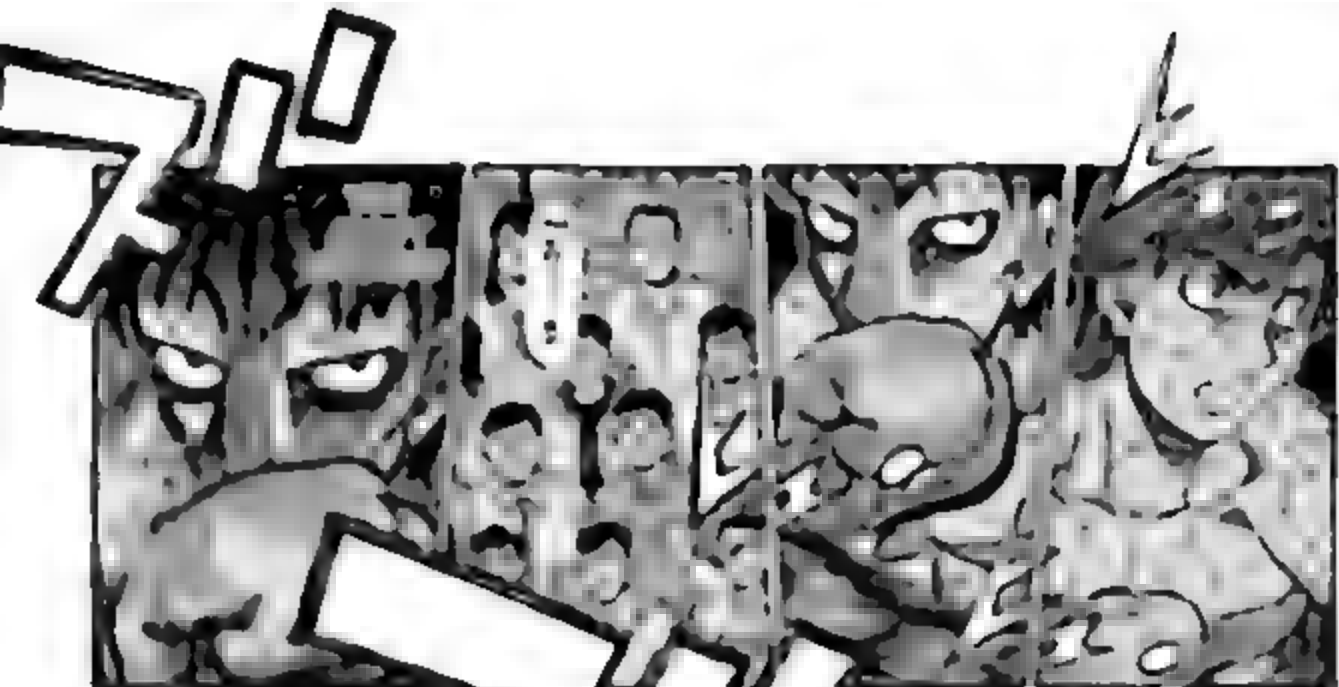
WHAT  
'S WR-  
ONG?

MANA-  
BU-  
KUN!

PILE ON THE  
PRESSURE  
WITH YOUR  
LEFT AND  
AIM FOR A  
HIT WITH  
YOUR RIGHT







HE LOST  
TO THE  
PRESSURE  
AND  
JUMPED  
OUT!

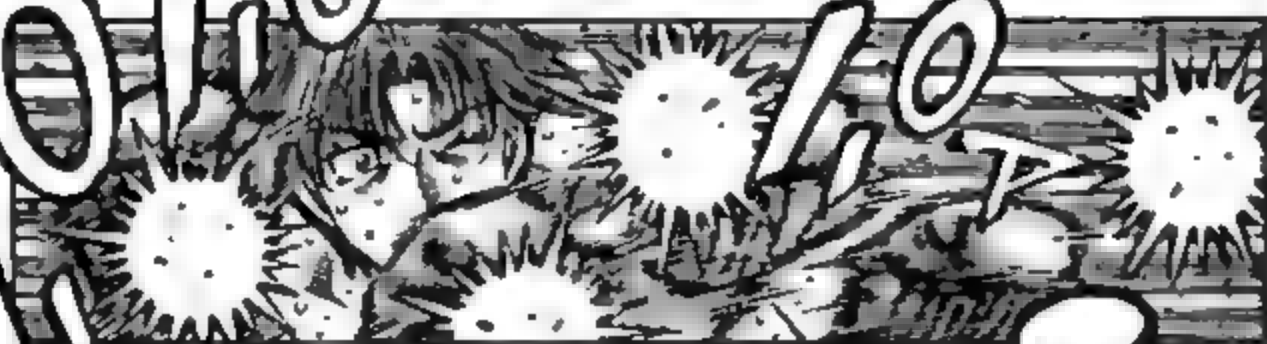
THAT'S  
EXACTLY  
WHAT  
MAKINO  
WANTED!



FOR  
NOW  
I CAN

JUST  
ME  
I COUL-  
DNT SEE  
THEM.







HE'S  
BACK ON  
THE ROPES  
AGAIN!

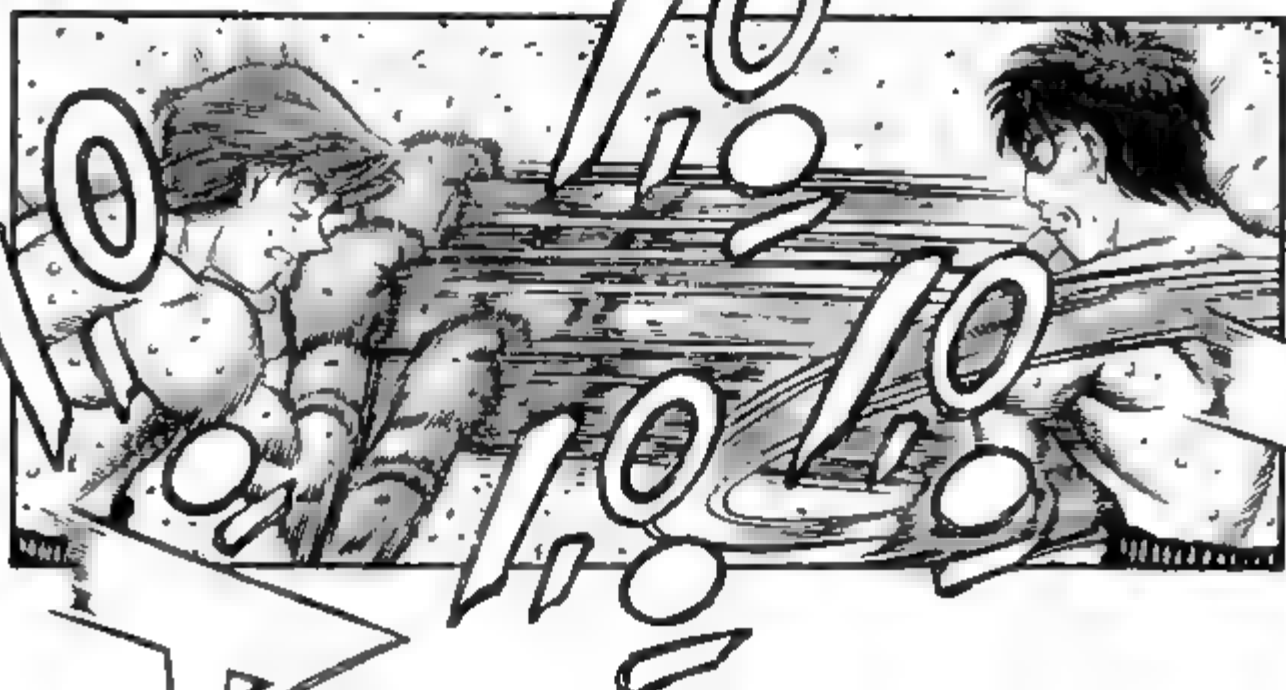
GET AWAY  
FROM  
THERE  
OR YOU'LL  
BE STUCK  
ON THE  
ROPES  
FOREVER!

HE LOST  
THE POWER  
STRUGGLE!



I'VE  
RUN  
AND  
RUN  
AND  
RUN!

I WON'T  
RUN OUT  
OF BREATH  
EVEN IF  
I GO ALL  
OUT FROM  
THE START





WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING?  
GET AWAY  
FROM THE  
ROPES!!

MAKINO  
ISN'T  
LETTING  
UP AT ALL!

HIS  
ATTACKS  
ARE  
GETTING  
FIERCER!



HE HASN'T  
TAKEN A  
SINGLE  
PUNCH  
YET!

BUT



MANABU-  
KUN,  
USE  
YOUR  
FEET!



YOU  
CAN'T  
STAY  
THERE!  
YOU'LL  
GET HIT!

USE  
YOUR  
FEET!

GET  
AROUND  
HIM AND  
CHANGE  
PLACES!









HE'S  
KNOCK-  
ING  
THE  
FLICKER  
AWAY



SUF-  
FERED  
THE  
SAME  
FATE!



I,  
TOO  
...



AS  
PROOF  
OF THAT,  
I'LL  
TELL  
YOU.  
IT'S  
NOT  
THAT  
MAKINO'S  
FLICKER  
IS WEAK



WHY  
YOU  
..



CON-  
CEN-  
TRATE

CON-  
CEN-  
TRATE



HE'S...A  
NATURAL!!

THIS  
GUY,  
EVEN  
MORE  
THAN I  
IMAG-  
INED...

はじめての  
THE FIGHTING! 一歩

MUHH

Round 566

The gap that  
can't be filled



HE'S  
GOING TO  
KNOCK  
HIM  
DOWN.

ITAGAKI  
IS  
WATCHING  
HIM.



AND YET,  
THERE  
CAN NO  
LONGER  
BE ANY  
DOUBT

EVEN IF HE'S  
NOT AS GOOD  
AS MASHIBA,  
MAKINO'S  
FLICKER IS  
STILL SHARP





THIS ISN'T  
SOMETHING  
YOU CAN DO  
JUST FROM  
PRACTICE.

HE'S  
STOPPING  
ALL THOSE  
PUNCHES SO  
BRILLIANTLY

A  
GENIUS!

THIS  
GUY,  
HE'S...

HE WAS  
DEFINITELY  
BORN WITH  
SOMETHING  
DIFFERENT  
FROM THE  
REST OF US!

VERY FEW  
BOXERS  
POSSESS  
SUCH SHARP  
DETECTION  
SKILLS AND  
REACTION  
SPEEDS

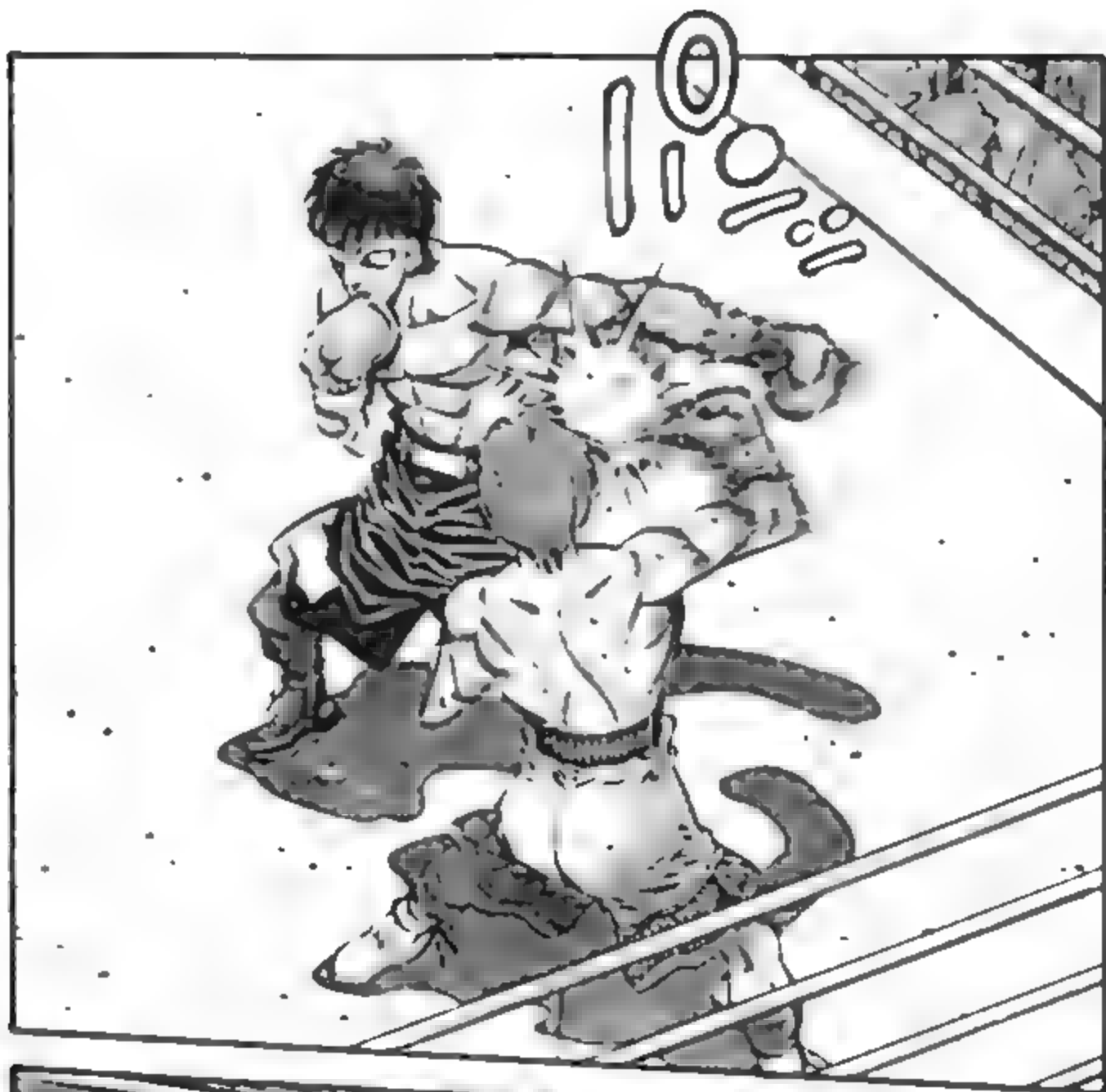
I  
DON'T  
WANT  
TO  
ADMIT  
IT,  
BUT

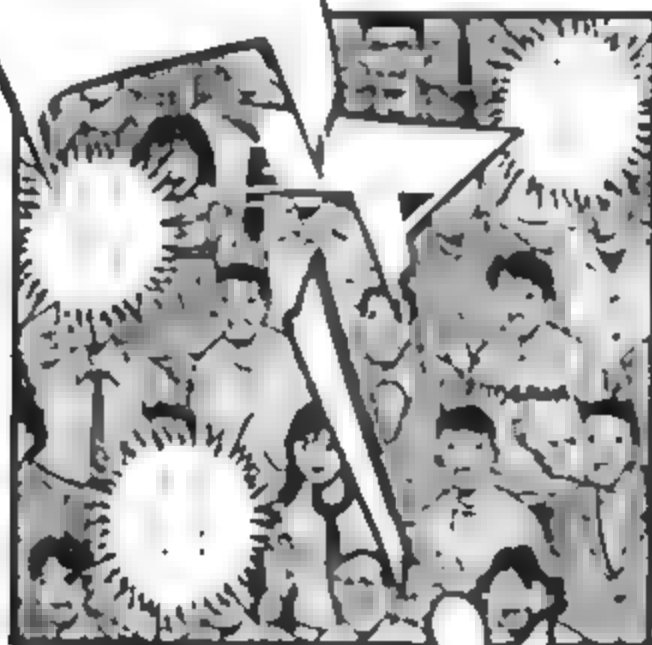
AND  
KEEP  
HITTING  
TIL I  
GET  
YOU

I'LL  
RAISE  
MY  
TEMPO

YOU  
THINK  
YOU'VE  
GOTTEN  
USED TO  
THIS

WELL, FACT...  
YOU'VE  
GOTTEN  
USED TO  
THIS







THAT  
WAS A  
GREAT  
LEFT!

UWAA  
HE  
HELD  
ON!

I  
THOUGHT  
HE'D  
FALL!





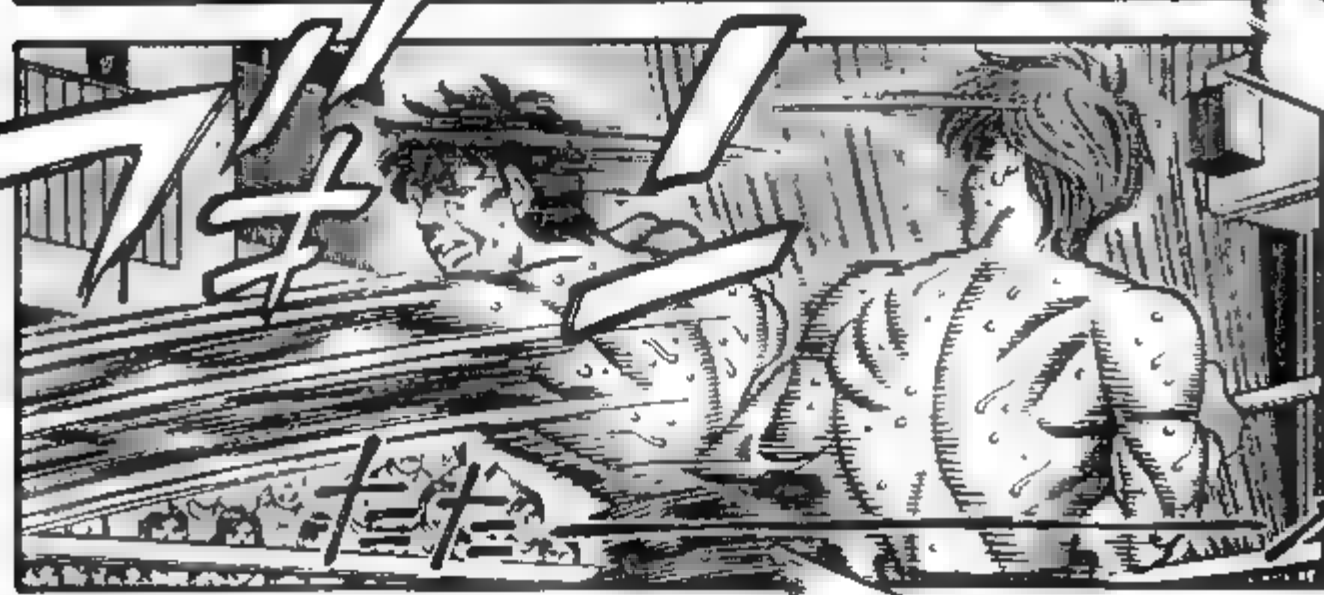
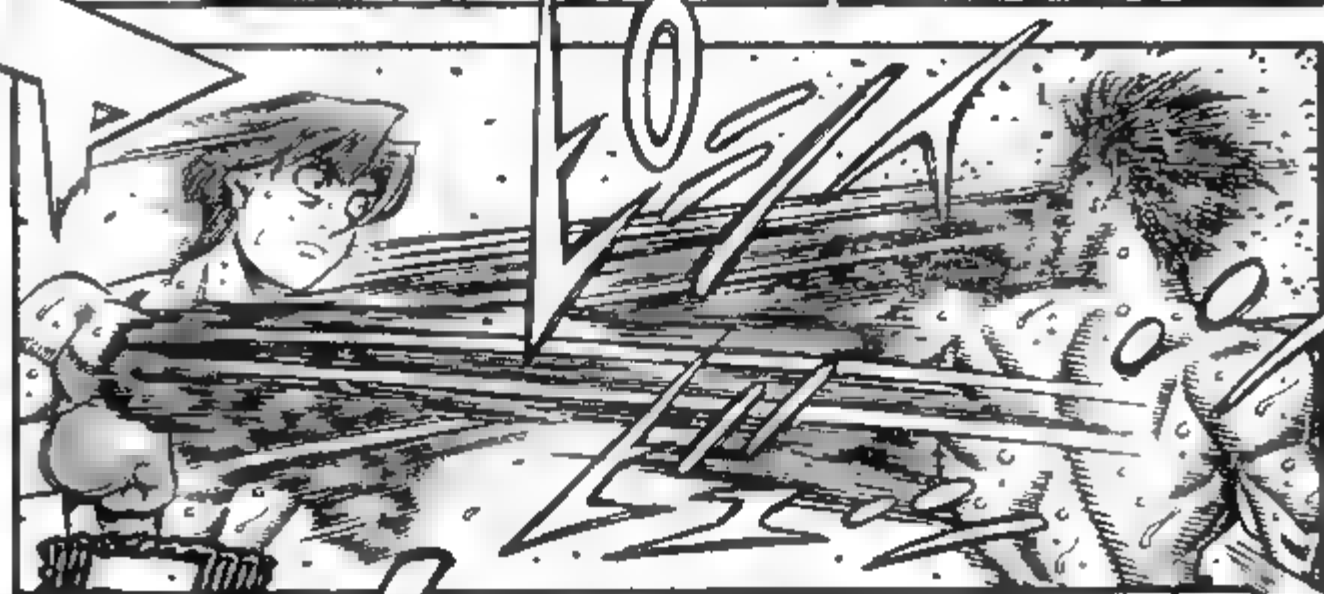
NO HE  
ONLY JUST  
STARTED  
HIS  
ENGINES



THE  
MINUTE  
MAKING  
TRIED TO  
RAISE  
HIS  
TEMPO









WAAAAH!  
HE'S  
FAST!

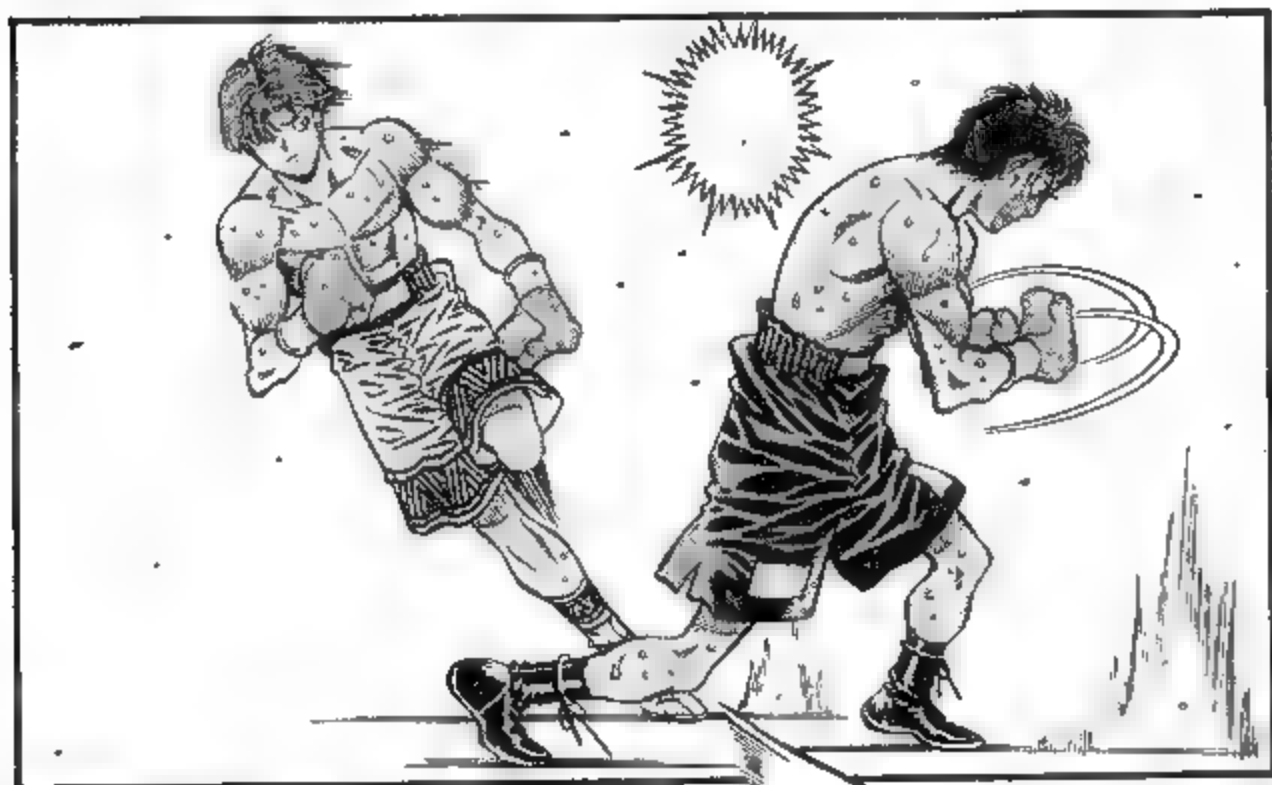
SO MANY  
PUNCHES!"

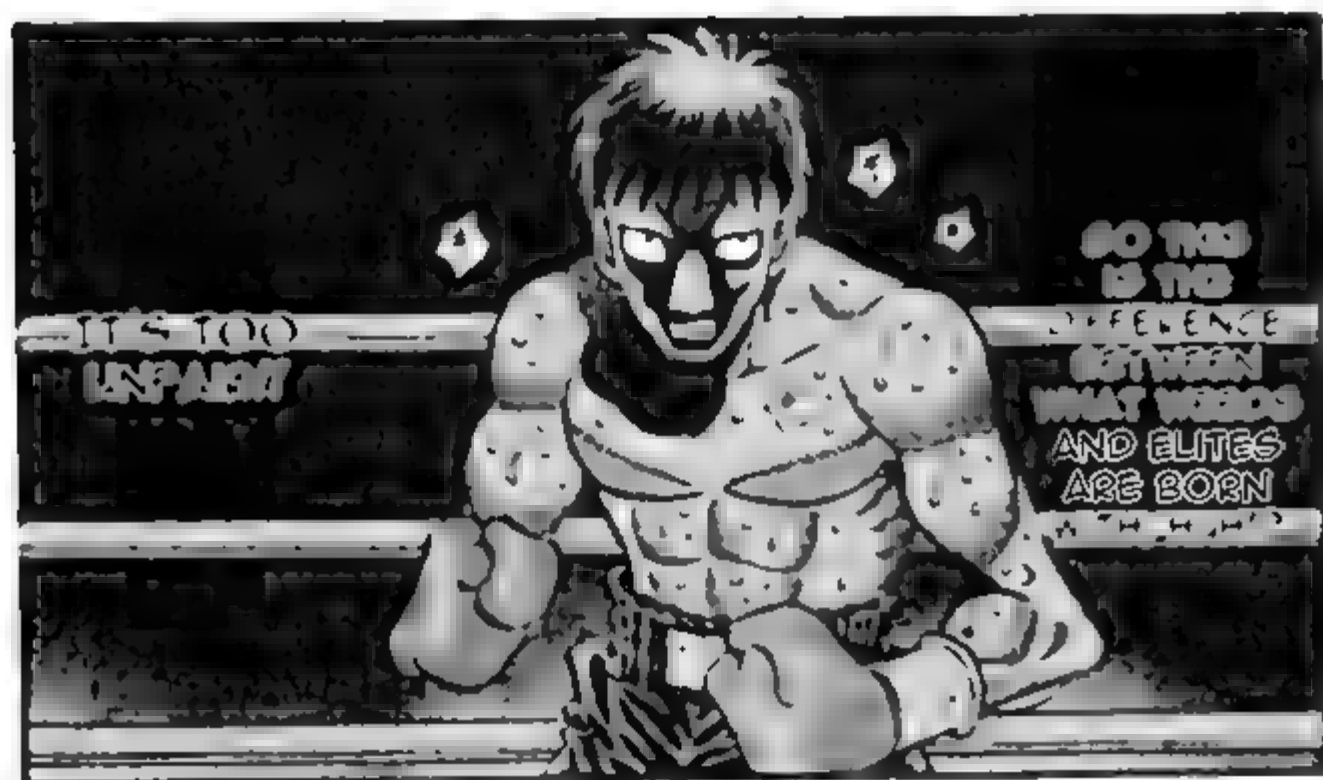
HE'S  
FINALLY IN  
"TOP GEAR!"

I-IT'S THE  
PORCUPINE!

MY  
EYES  
S UN-  
BELIEV-  
ABLE!





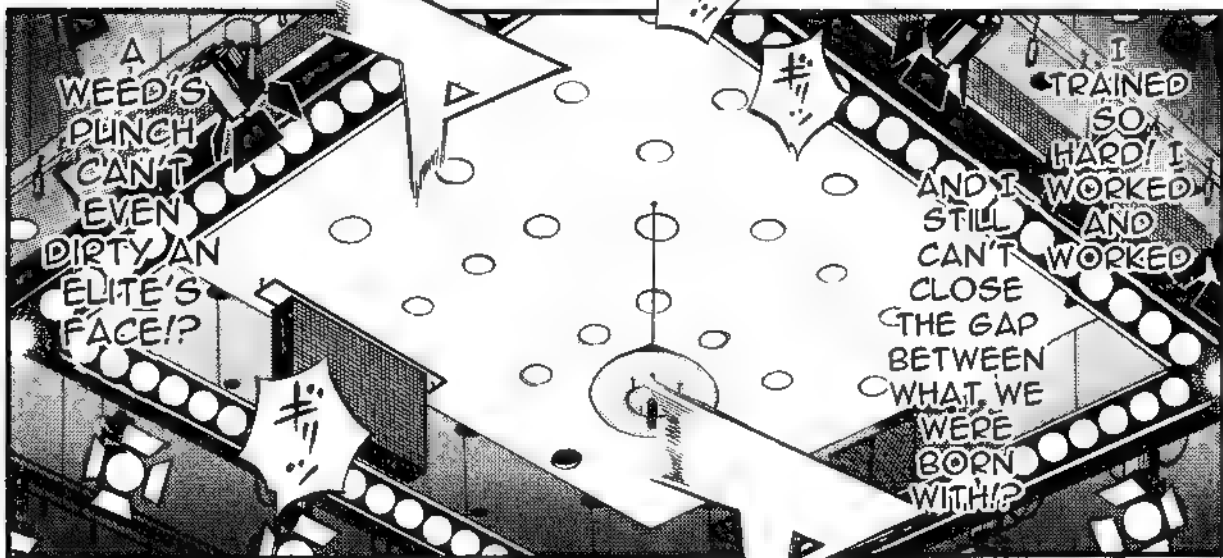




# はじめての一步

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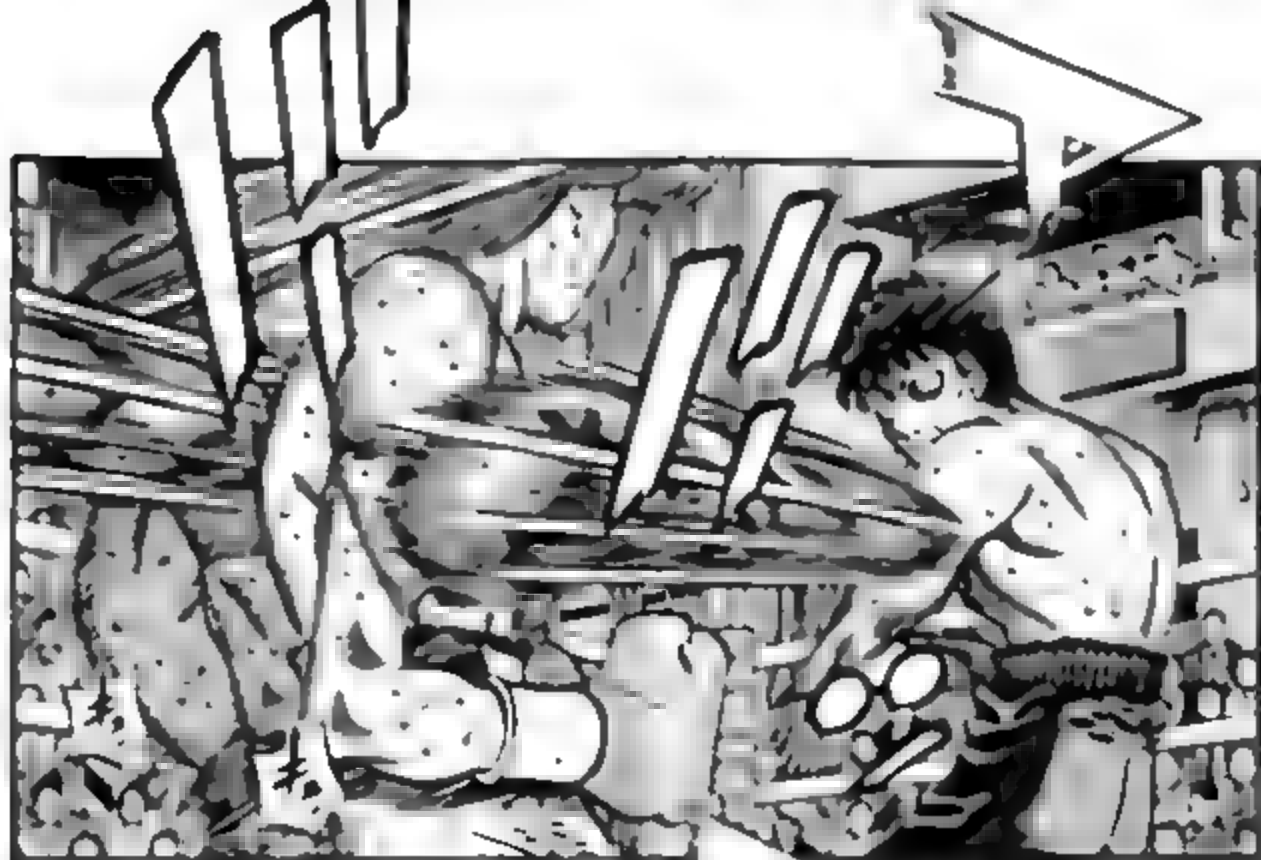




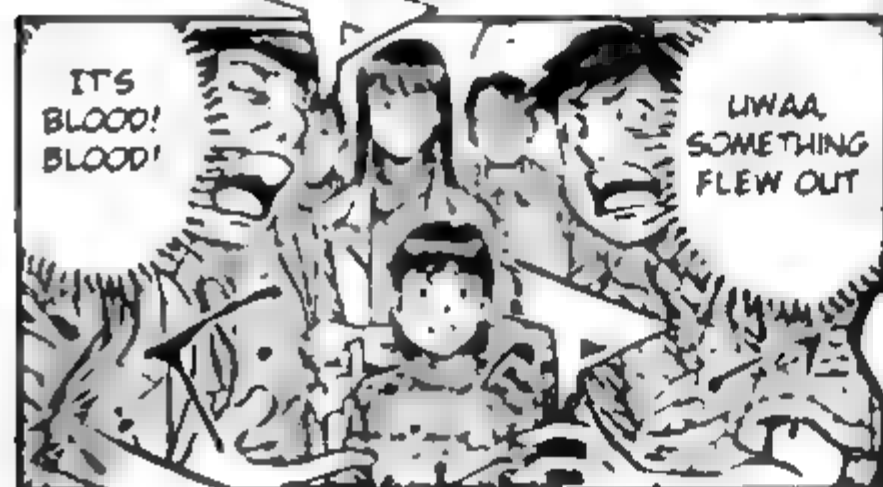
# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩



Round 567 The Weed's Painful Memory















U...  
UWAA!  
HIS FACE  
IS SO  
SWOL-  
LEN...

BUT IT'S  
ONLY  
BEEN ONE  
ROUND!

I CAN  
SEE HOW  
THE REST  
OF THE  
MATCH IS  
GONNA  
GO...



I'LL  
NEVER  
LET IT  
END LIKE  
THIS!!

NOT  
LIKE  
THIS...



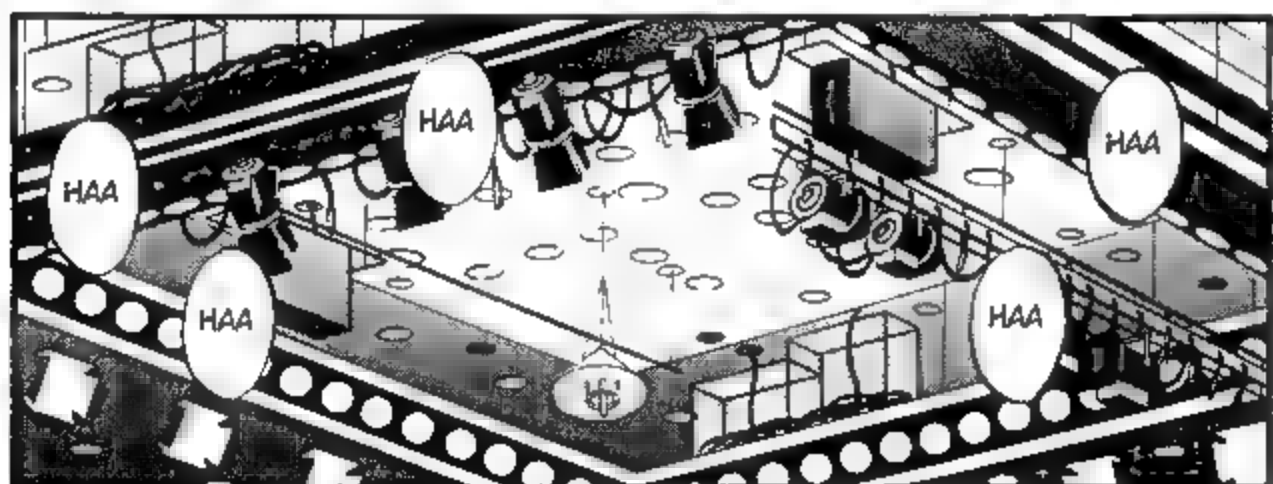
HE'S  
GRADUALLY  
GOING TO  
FALL INTO  
DESPAIR

IF HE  
KEEPS  
TAKING ALL  
THE PUNCH-  
ES WITHOUT  
EVEN BEING  
ABLE TO  
TOUCH  
ITAGAKI!

BUT

SO HIS  
OPPO-  
NENT'S  
DAMAGE  
MIGHT NOT  
BE AS BAD  
AS IT  
LOOKS

ITAGAKI  
DOESN'T  
HAVE  
ENOUGH  
DESTRUC-  
TIVE POWER  
TO END  
THINGS  
IN ONE  
PUNCH





YOU BEAT  
HIM ONCE  
ALREADY!!

HAVE  
SOME  
CONFIDENCE!



HAA

HAA

HAA

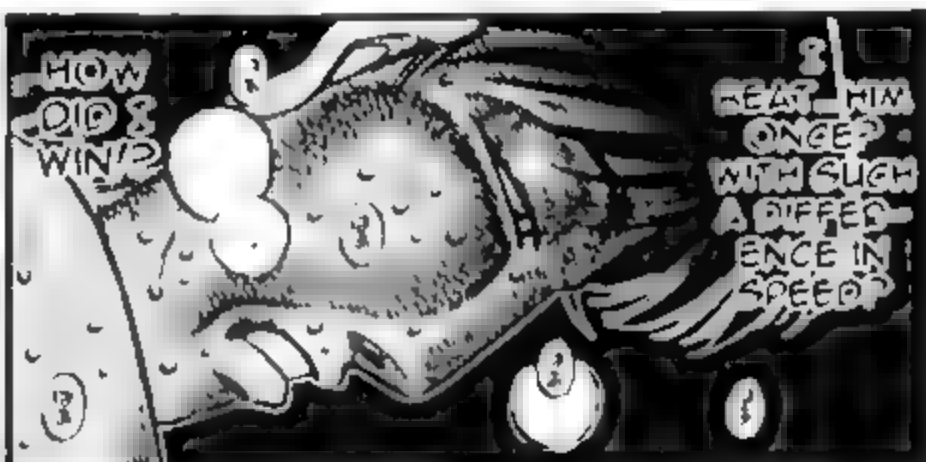


THAT WAS  
ONLY THE  
FIRST  
ROUND!

DON'T  
GIVE UP,  
MAKINO!



HOW



HOW  
DID I  
WIN?

BEAT HIM  
ONCE?  
WITH SUCH  
A DIFFER-  
ENCE IN  
SPEED?



!!



IN THAT  
CASE, IT'LL  
BE LIKE  
LAST TIME.  
NO MATTER  
WHAT I  
HAVE TO  
DO.

HE CAN'T  
HANDLE  
A TIGHT  
FIGHT.



THAT'S  
RIGHT!



HE'S A  
WEAK  
LITTLE  
ELITE







HURRY  
UP AND  
FINISH  
IT!

KK  
OO  
!!

GO,  
ITAGAKI!  
GET HIM!  
BEAT HIM  
UP!!

I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!

I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!

MANABU-  
KULUN, DO  
YOUR  
BEST!

DON'T  
WASTE ANY  
TIME! KO  
HIM!

I'LL  
SHOW  
YOU!  
I'LL  
PROVE  
IT!!

ATSU-  
SHII

THERE'S  
NOTHING  
YOU CAN'T  
DO IF YOU  
TRY HARD  
ENOUGH!

TO  
THAT  
SORT  
OF  
THING

AUDI-  
ENCES  
ARE  
ALWAYS  
ATTRACT-  
ED

ITAGAKI  
IS THE  
FLASHIER  
ONE

WHY  
ISN'T  
ANYONE  
CHEER-  
ING FOR  
FLUITO-  
KUN?

W-  
WHY?

I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!

KEEP  
GOING! DO  
YOUR BEST,  
FLUITO-  
KUN!!

DAMN  
IT

I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!



HE HAS THE  
FINESSE TO  
DODGE  
BY THE  
NEAREST  
MILLIMETER

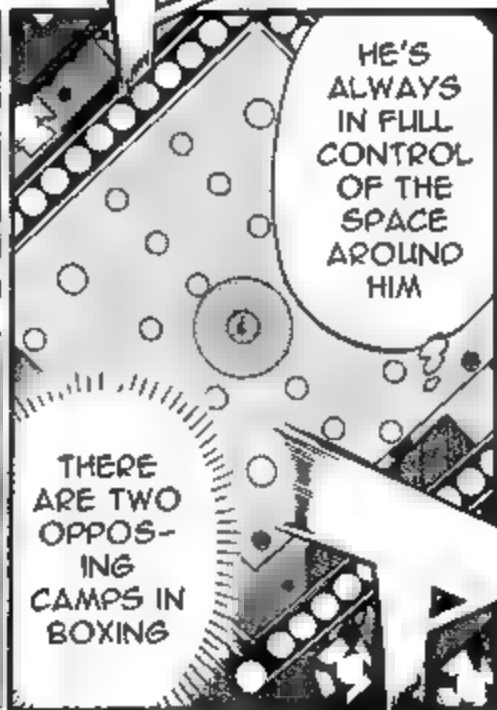
WHEN THE  
OPPONENT  
PUSHES  
FORWARD  
HE STEPS  
BACK WHEN  
HE STEPS  
BACK  
ITAGAKI  
PUSHES  
FORWARD

ITAGAKI'S  
GREATEST  
TALENT IS  
HIS SENSE  
OF DIS-  
TANCE



AND  
THOSE WHO  
CONTROL  
THE SPACE,  
WHO SHAPE  
THE MATCH  
HOWEVER  
THEY WANT!!

THERE  
ARE THOSE  
WHO BELIEVE  
IN GUTS,  
AND HAVE  
NOWHERE TO  
RUN IF  
THINGS GO  
WRONG



HE'S  
ALWAYS  
IN FULL  
CONTROL  
OF THE  
SPACE  
AROUND  
HIM

THERE  
ARE TWO  
OPPOS-  
ING  
CAMPS IN  
BOXING



IF  
YOU TRY  
HARD  
ENOUGH

WATCH ME,  
ATSUSHI! IF  
YOU TRY  
HARD  
ENOUGH,  
NOTHING'S  
IMPOSSIBLE!



# はじめての一步



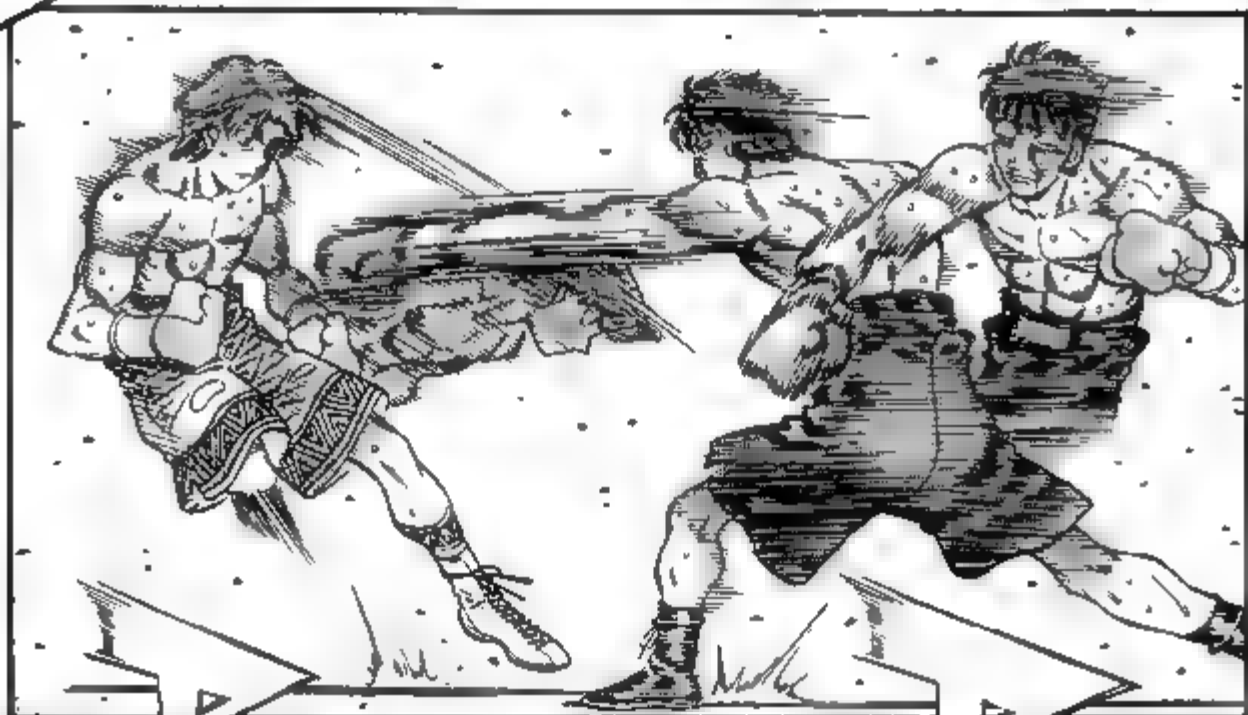


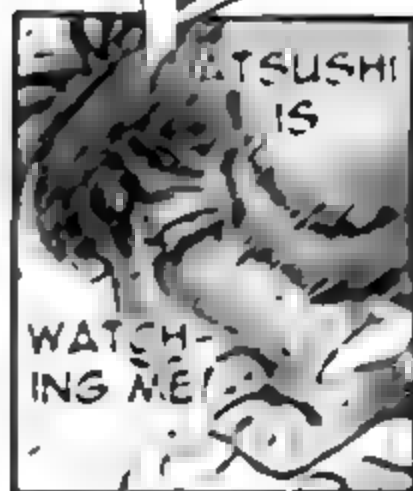
# はじめの THE FIGHTING! 一歩



Round 568 When his heart breaks









THAT'S A GOOD  
POINT TO  
REMEMBER TO  
STAY  
IN YOUR  
OWN  
STYLE



NOT  
EVEN  
ONE  
PUNCH IS  
GETTING  
THROUGH

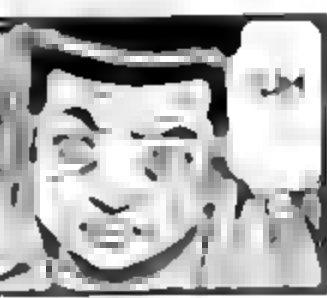


WELL, I CAN'T  
REACH HIM

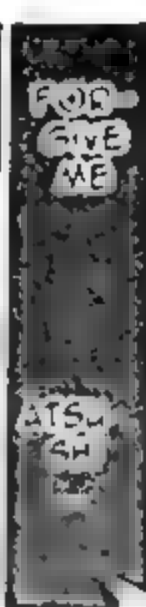
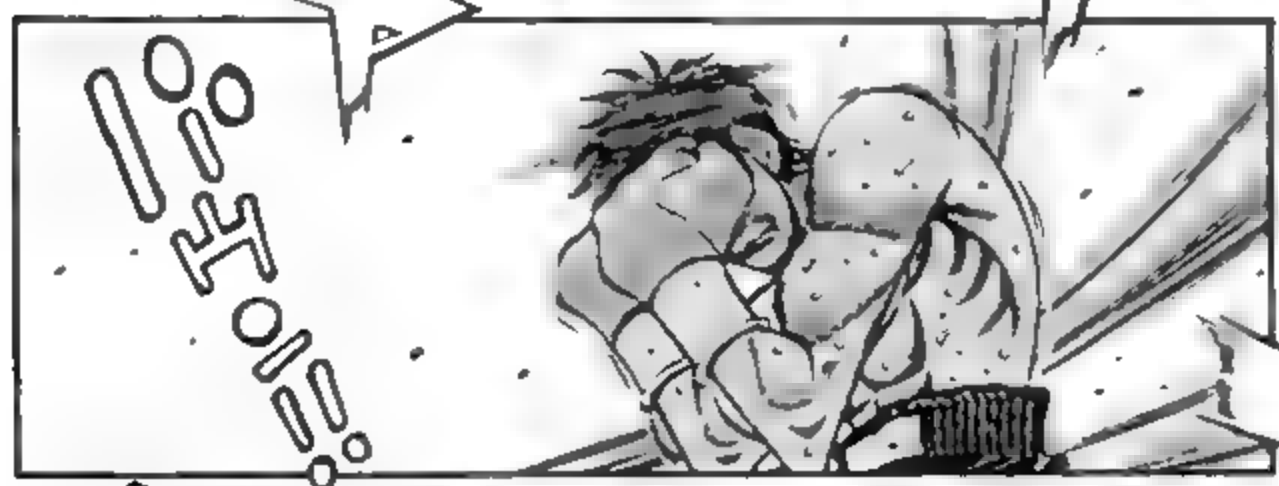
HAVE  
YOU FOR-  
GOTTEN  
THE SPIRIT  
OF THE  
WARRIOR

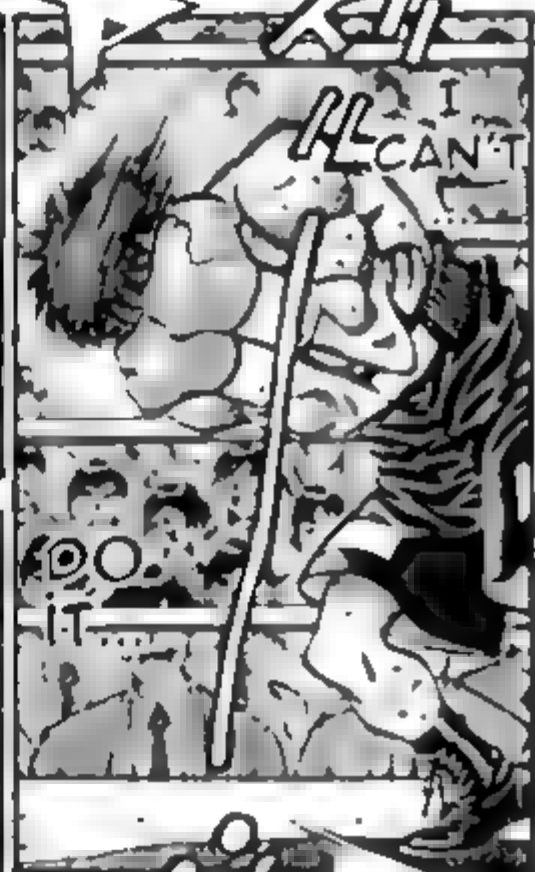


WHAT  
HAPPENED  
TO YOUR  
DETERMINA-  
TION TO DO  
WHAT YOU  
THINK IS  
RIGHT



THAT  
IS  
THE  
ATTITUDE













FINISH  
HIM!  
FINISH  
HIM!

FINISH  
HIM!  
FINISH  
HIM!

DO YOUR  
BEST

DO YOUR  
BEST.  
FUMTO-  
KUN!

PLEASE  
DON'T  
FALL

DO  
YOUR  
BEST!!



# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩



Round 569 The Weed That Grew Straight Up



I AM SORRY, BUT



EVEN IF HE  
GETS UP  
THERE'S  
NOTHING HE  
CAN DO

HE  
COULDN'T  
EVEN  
TOUCH  
ITAGAKI

4  
!!

HE'S IN  
COMPLETE  
DESPAIR

HE'S  
CON-  
SCIOUS  
BUT

HE  
WON'T  
GET UP  
AGAIN!

HIS  
HEART IS  
BROKEN!!

I'M  
JUST...  
NOT  
GOOD  
ENOUGH

I'M  
SORRY,  
ATSU-  
SHI...

THE  
CONTRAST  
BETWEEN  
LIGHT AND  
DARKNESS  
CAME OUT  
SHARPLY AND  
CRUELLY

THE  
ELITE  
AND  
THE  
WEED...

WUH  
...

WUH  
!!

WUH  
!!



I DON'T  
WANT  
YOU TO  
LOSE

FUMITO-  
KUN!  
GET UP!!



DO YOUR  
BEST  
FUMITO-  
KUN!

ATSUSHI-  
KUN!



DO YOUR  
BEST





あー

あー



ZEEH  
ZEEH

CAN  
YOU  
GO  
ON?

AAH  
...

ZEEH  
ZEEH

AAH  
...



THAT  
WAS  
CLOSE



DON'T  
GET  
CARE-  
LESS!

HE'S  
COMING,  
ITAGAKI!



I  
PROM-  
ISED  
TO WIN

THAT'S  
RIGHT I  
MADE A  
PROMISE

I WAS  
JUST  
ABOUT  
TO GIVE  
UP



RIGHT...  
ATSUSHI

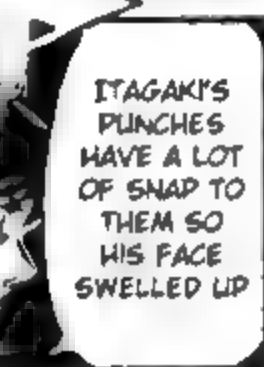
DON'T  
GIVE  
UP!



FUMITO-  
KUN



CAN  
HE... SEE  
ANYTHING  
THROUGH  
THOSE  
EYES?



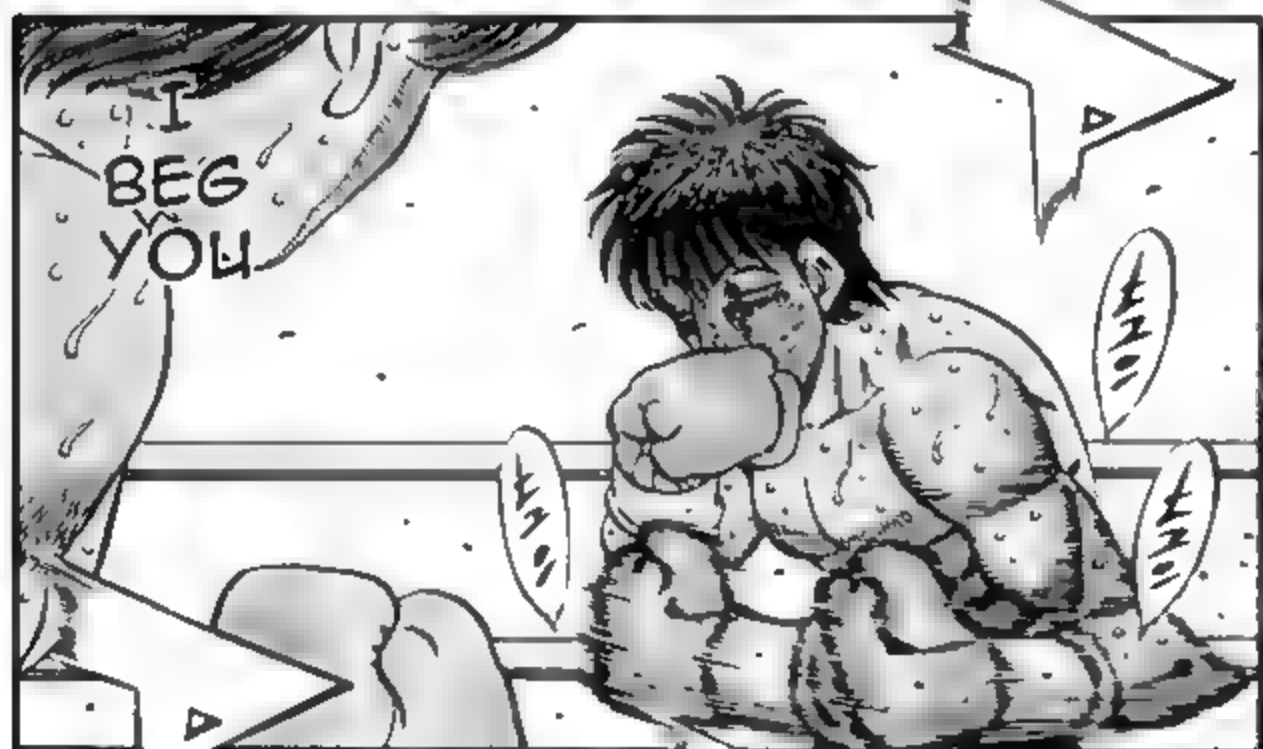
ITAGAKI'S  
PUNCHES  
HAVE A LOT  
OF SNAP TO  
THEM SO  
HIS FACE  
SWELLED UP



THERE'S  
STILL LIGHT  
IN THOSE  
SWOLLEN  
EYES!

HE  
MENDED  
HIS  
BROKEN  
HEART!

NO  
MATTER  
WHAT I  
HAVE TO  
DO, I'LL  
KEEP MY  
PROMISE!  
  
SO,  
PLEASE















...DURING THE  
SAWAMURA  
FIGHT...



DID HE  
FORESEE  
THIS  
HAPPEN-  
ING?

HIS  
PLANS  
OF CON-  
CENTRA-  
TING ALL  
THAT F-  
ORCE...



!

IT'S BE-  
CAUSE  
HE'S  
MAKING  
CHIEF'S  
KOMA!



OH

OH



WANA  
DU  
EUN

WANA  
DU  
EUN

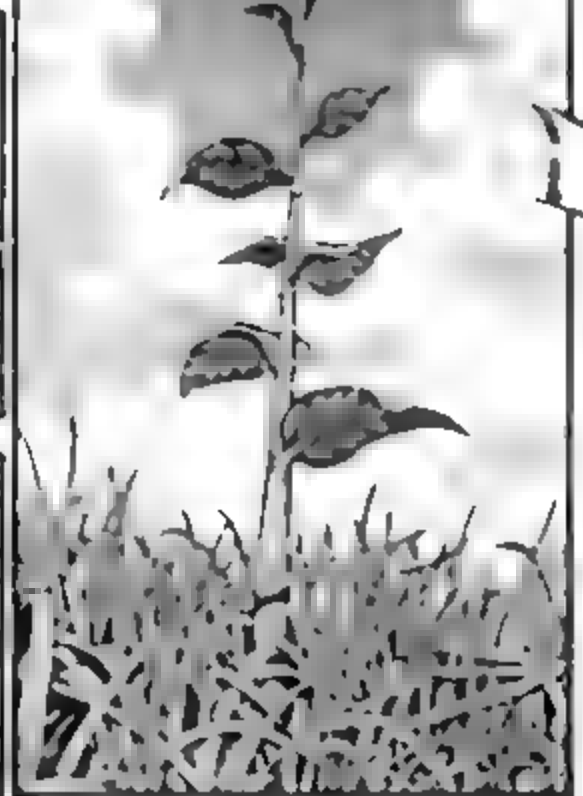
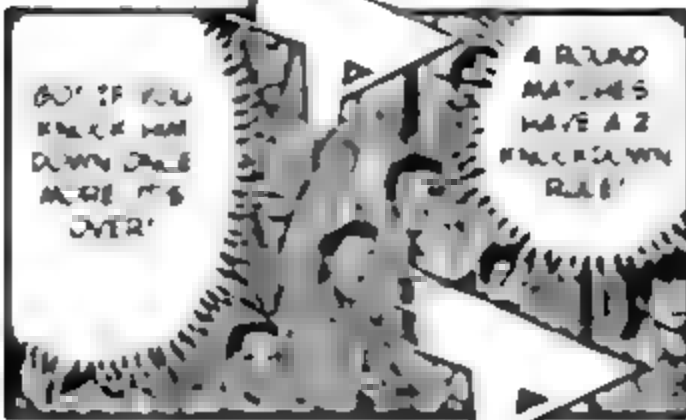
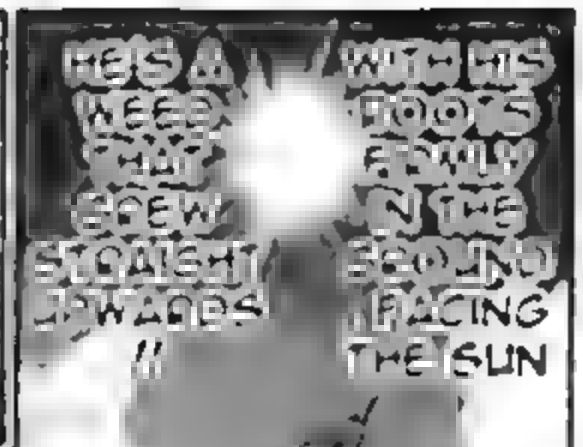


HE'S  
GOING TO  
KICK IT  
OUT!

ITAKAKI  
SHIFTED HIS  
CENTER OF  
GRAVITY  
FORWARD  
FOR THE  
FIRST TIME  
IN THIS  
MATCH

HE PLANS  
TO FINISH IT  
IN THIS  
ROUND!!









**★**  
EAST  
THERE'S  
NOTHING  
TO BE  
AFRAID  
OF ANY  
MORE!!

# はじめての 一歩 THE FIGHTING!



FLIMI-  
TO-  
KUN!



YOUR  
PUNCHES  
WILL HIT  
AT THIS  
RANGE!

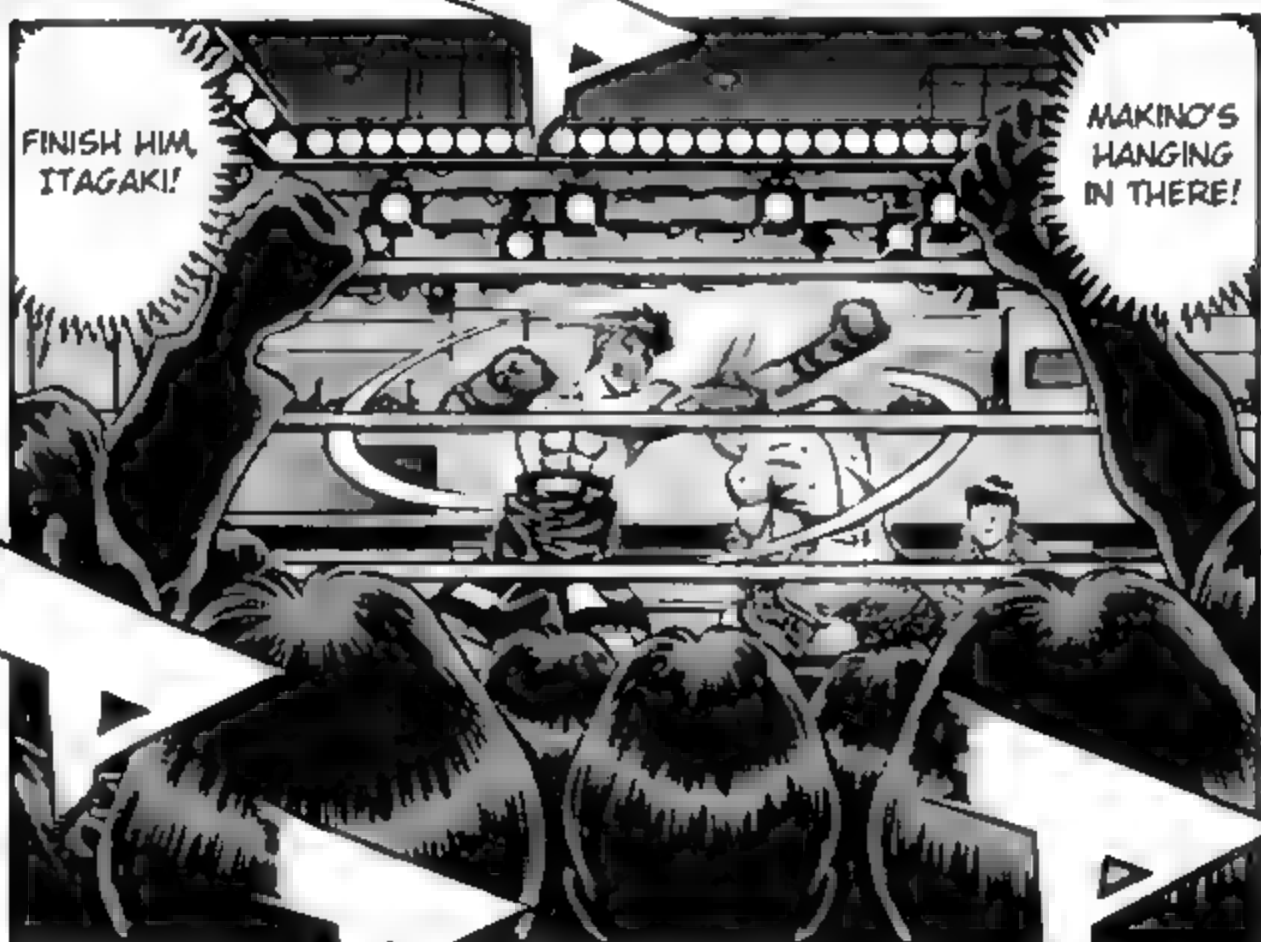
HIT HIM  
BACK!

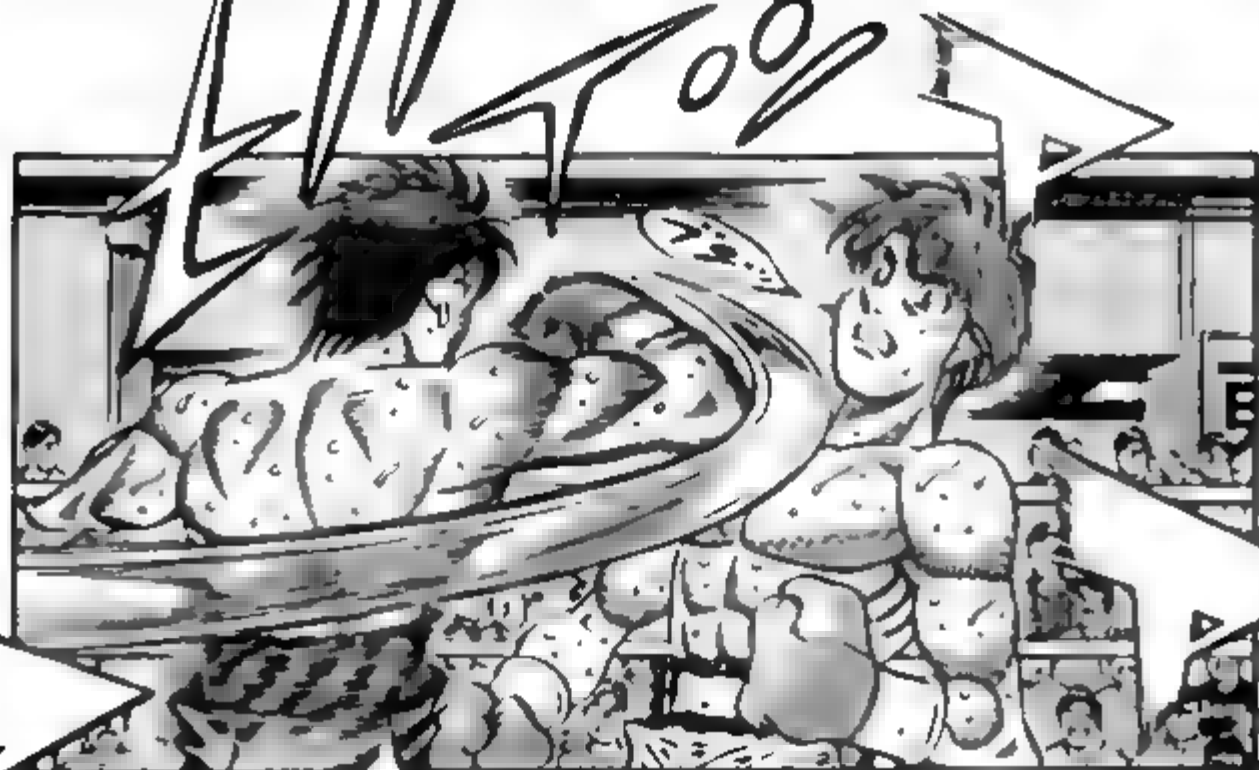


ITAGAKI'S  
GOING FOR  
A HITTING  
MATCH!

HE'S  
GOING TO  
FINISH IT!

**Round 570 Proof Of A Pro Boxer**





「I'M NOT  
AFRAID  
OF A  
CROOKED  
WEED'S  
PUNCH!!」

「YOU'RE  
NOT  
UPRIGHT  
LIKE  
SENPAI!!」



「THAT'S  
WHY I'M  
TELLING  
YOU TO  
STEP  
BACK」

「W-  
WATCH  
OUT!」



「HE'S WEAK AT  
TAKING HITS  
SO WHAT ON  
EARTH IS HE  
THINKING?」

「THAT  
BAS-  
TARD」



「GUHA...」



「キ」

「〇〇」











IT HIT HIM!!



IT HURT HIM!



IT



MANA-BU-KUN.



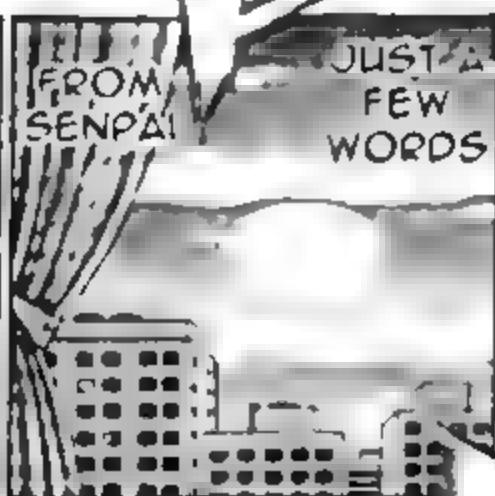
OOOOOOO!!



SOME-THING LIKE THIS GANK HURT YOU!!

GRIT YOUR TEETH!

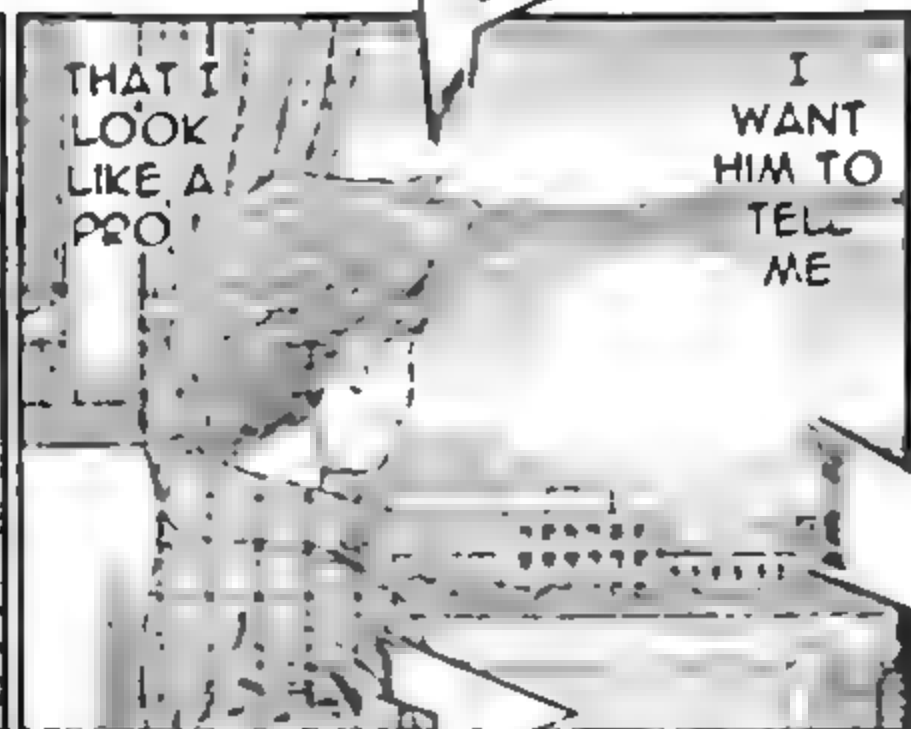






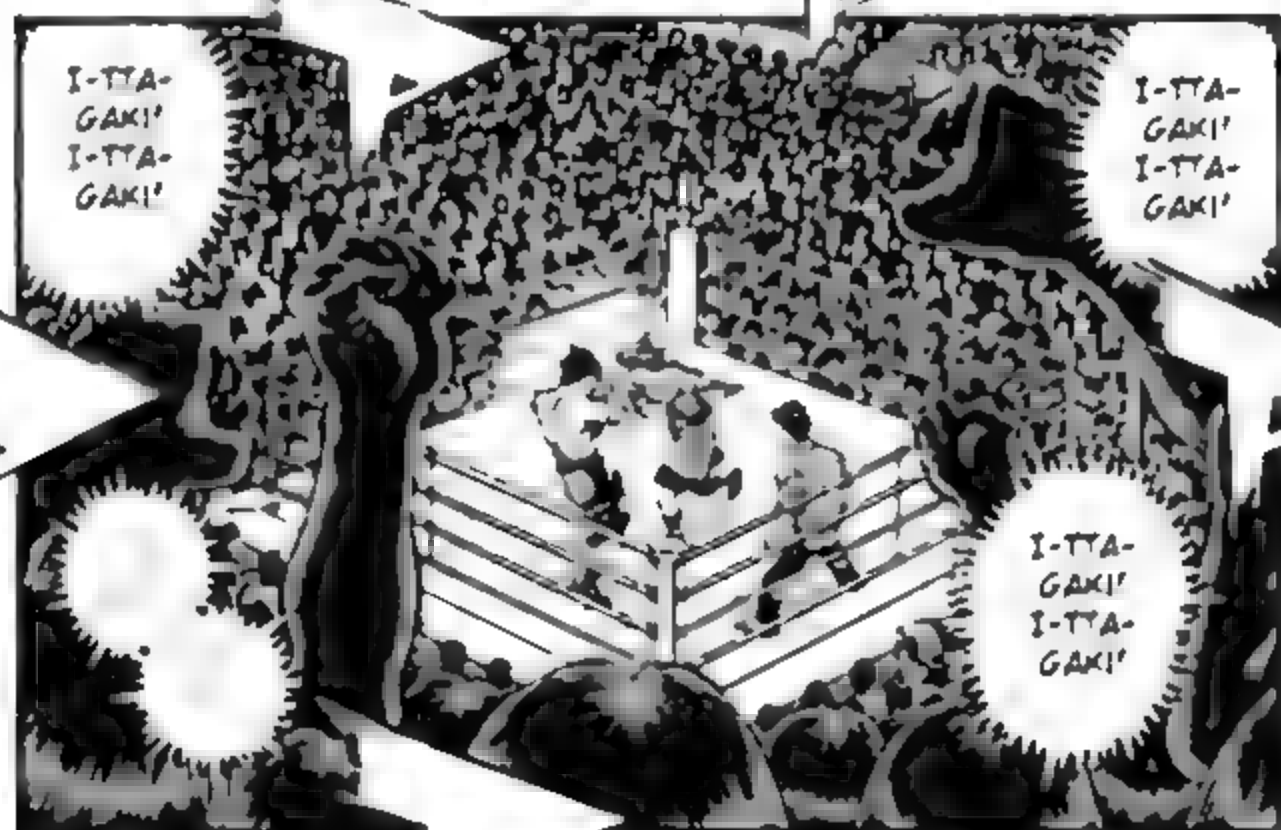
I DON'T

NEED  
TO  
SAY  
IT



THAT I  
LOOK  
LIKE A  
PRO

I  
WANT  
HIM TO  
TELL  
ME



I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!

I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!

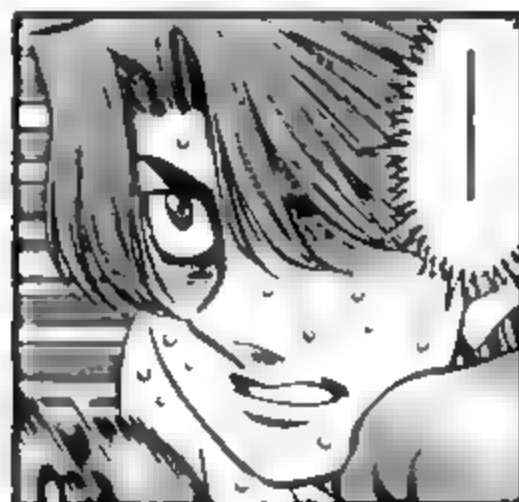
I-TTA-  
GAKI!  
I-TTA-  
GAKI!



MORE  
THAN  
PROOF  
ENOUGH

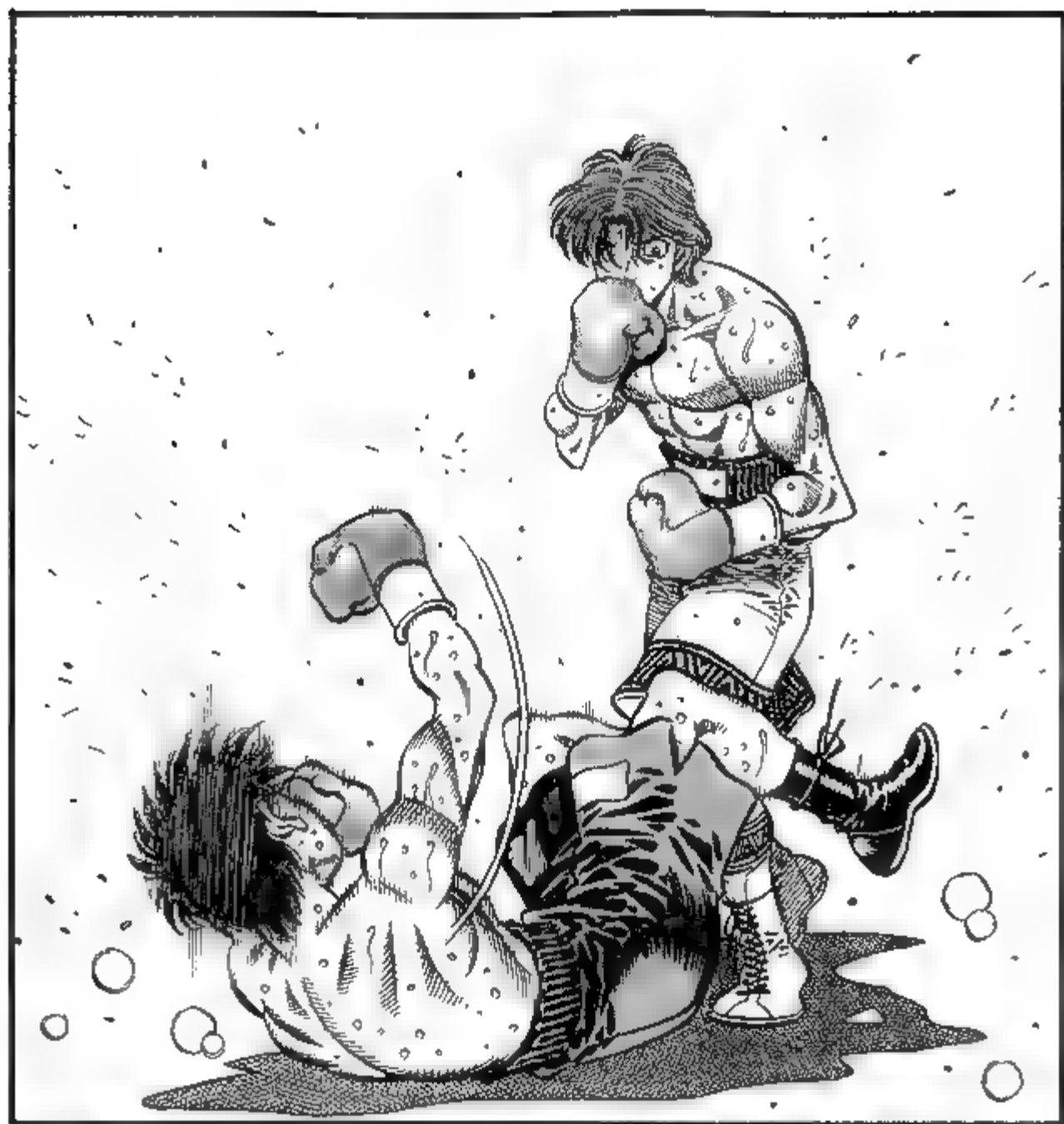
THAT YOU  
CAN EXCITE  
A CROWD  
TO THAT  
EXTENT











ITAGAKI  
WON!!

IT'S  
OVER  
!!

HE'S  
STRONG!

YOU'RE  
SO COOL,  
MANABU-  
KUN!

HE PUT HIM  
DOWN WITH  
ALL HIS  
MIGHT!

A  
SPLEN-  
DID...



HE BEAT A  
STRONG  
OPPONENT  
AND ONLY  
TOOK ONE  
PUNCH!

HIS  
SKILLS ARE  
BEYOND A  
ROUNDER'S  
AND HE'S GOT  
THE COURAGE  
TO BACK IT UP

WHO WILL  
CARRY THE  
BANKS IN  
THE  
FUTURE

THIS  
WAS THE  
BIRTH OF  
A GENIUS  
FEATHER-  
WEIGHT

TALAM  
IT'S TRUE  
HE HAS  
THE PO-  
TENTIAL

WASH  
FALLS EX-  
AGGERATE

A  
SPLENDID  
PRO!!





FINISH THE  
TOURNA-  
MENT JUST  
LIKE THIS!

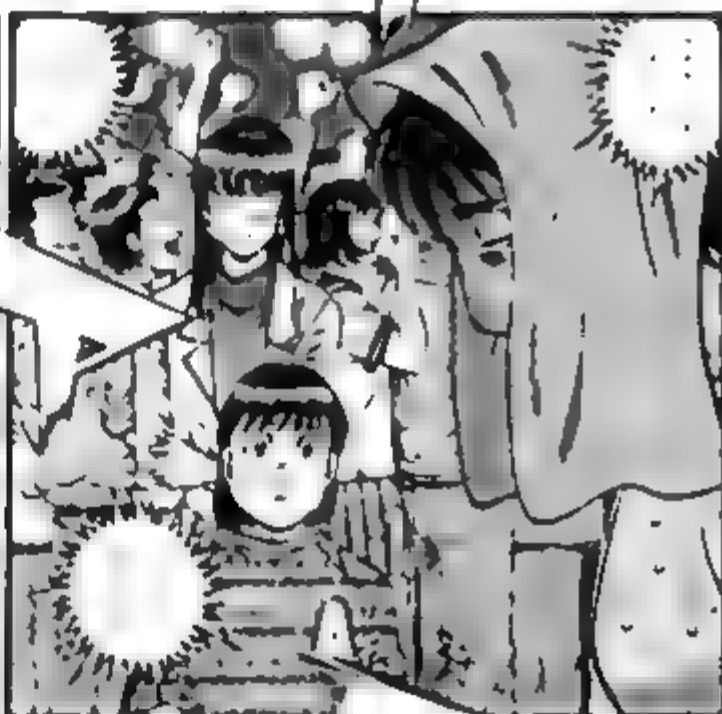
LIWAA, HE  
SOMER-  
SAULTED!

YOU'RE  
THE  
BEST,  
ITAGAKI!

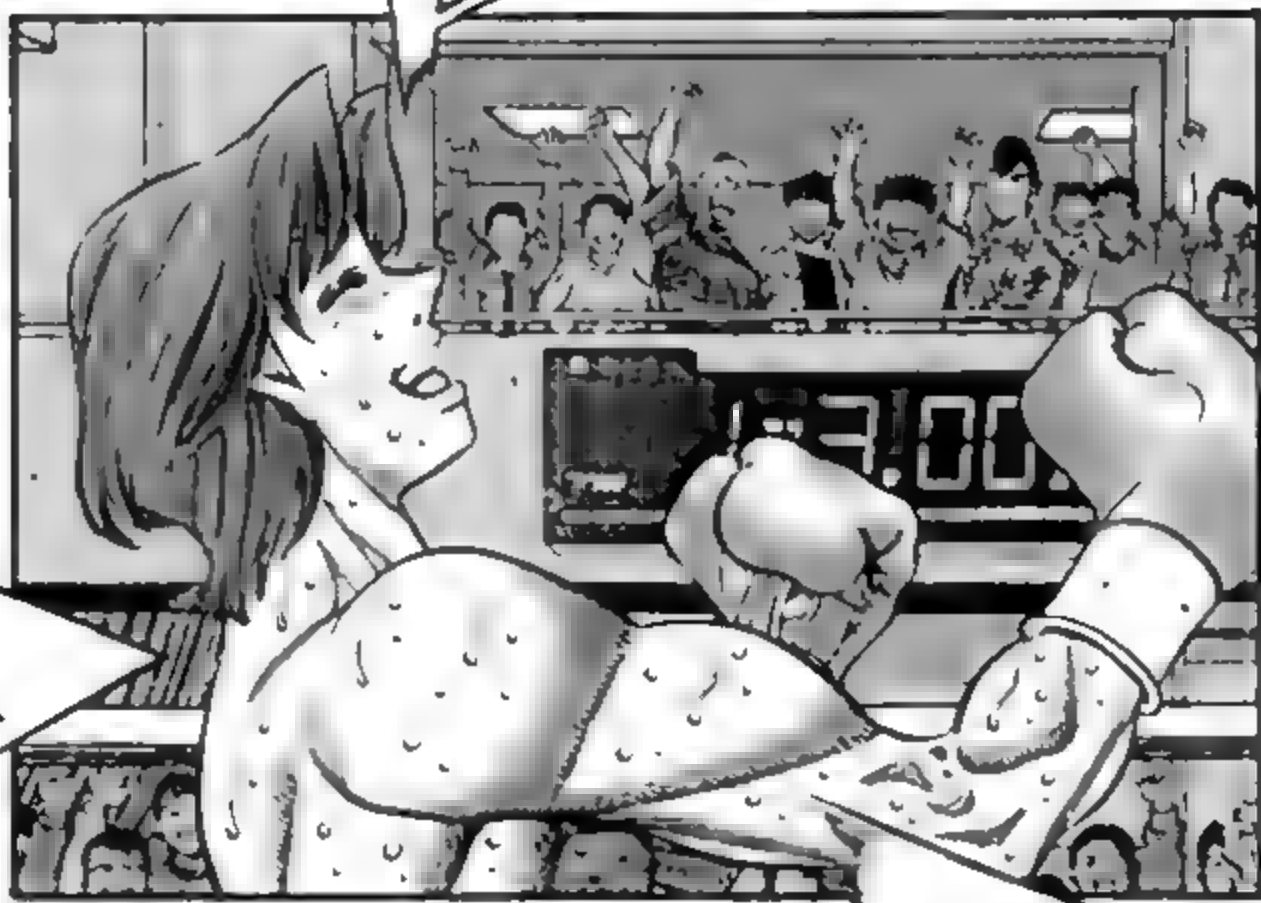
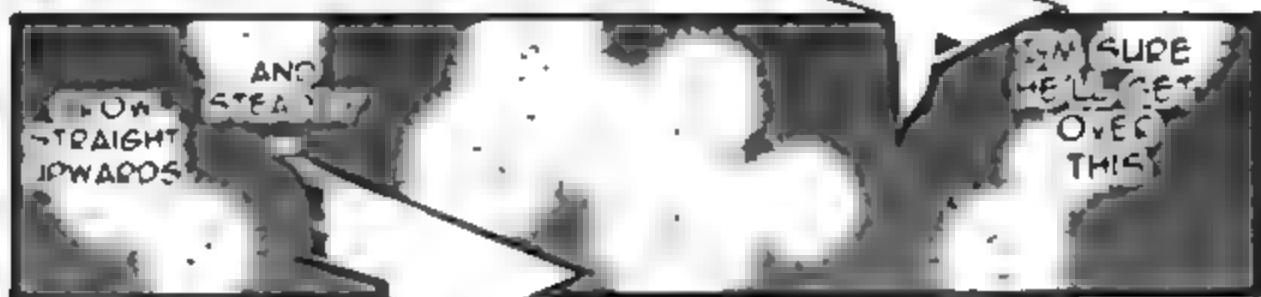
TAKE  
THE  
ROOKIE  
TITLE!



FLAUTO-  
KUN...







# はじめての一步





YOU'LL BE  
THIS YEAR'S  
ROOKIE  
CHAMPION !!

WELL  
DONE,  
ITAGAKI

THANK  
YOU

THANK  
YOU

I'LL COME  
AND WATCH  
YOUR NEXT  
FIGHT

KEEP ON  
WINNING,  
MAN

AND  
CONGRATU-  
LATE HIM

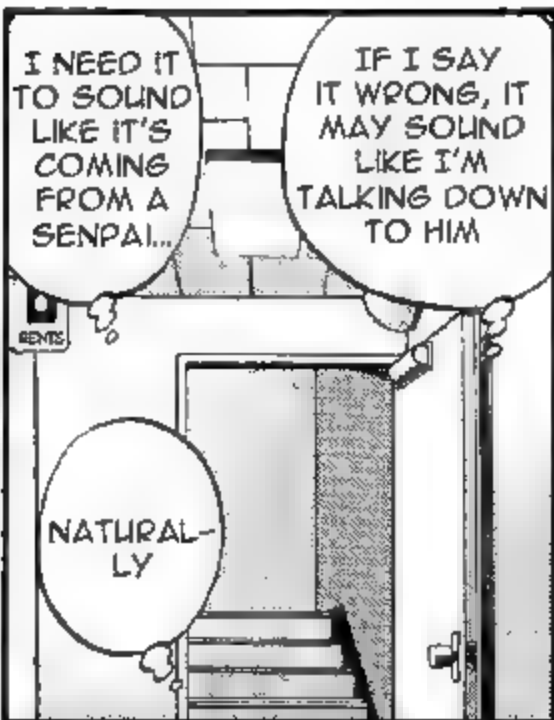
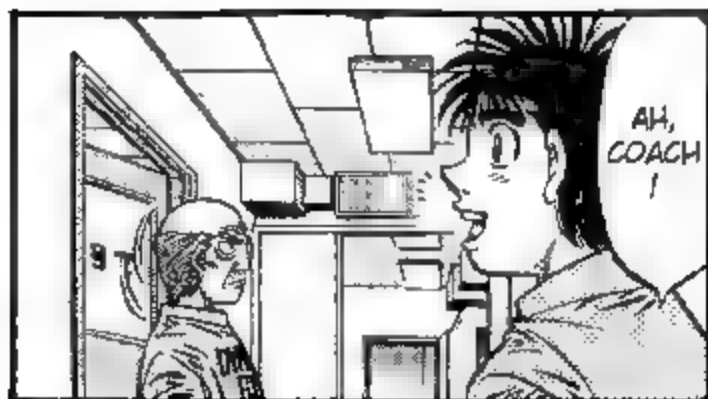
I'M  
GOING TO  
GO SEE  
MANABU  
-KUN

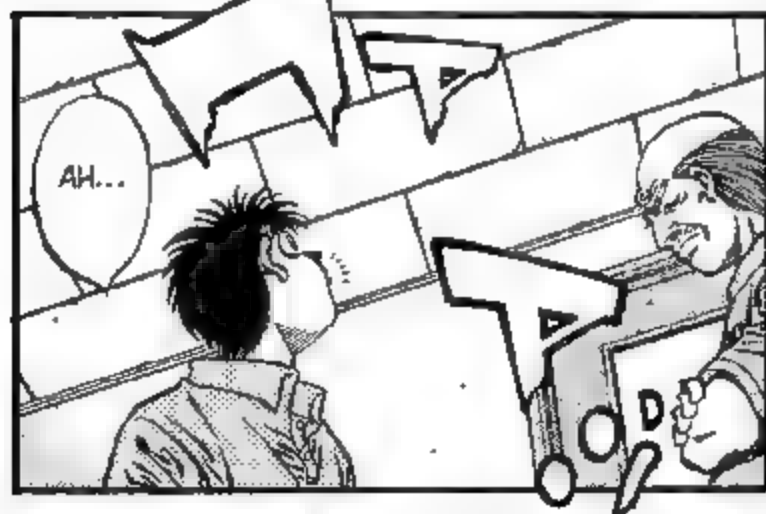
WHERE  
YOU  
GOING,  
IPPO?

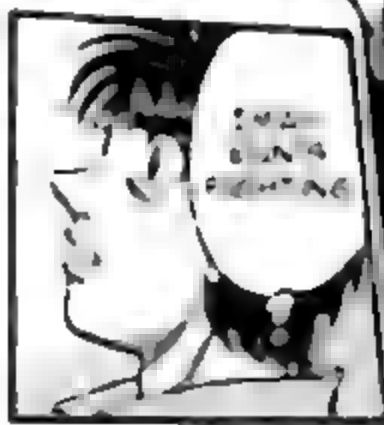
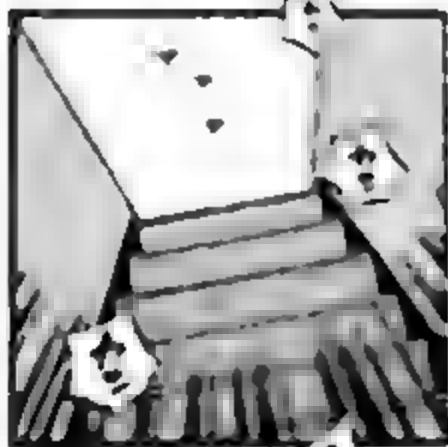
NAA

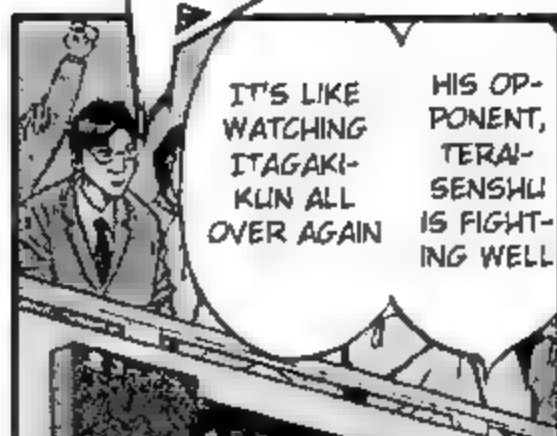
BUT IMAI'S  
MATCH IS  
ABOUT TO  
START







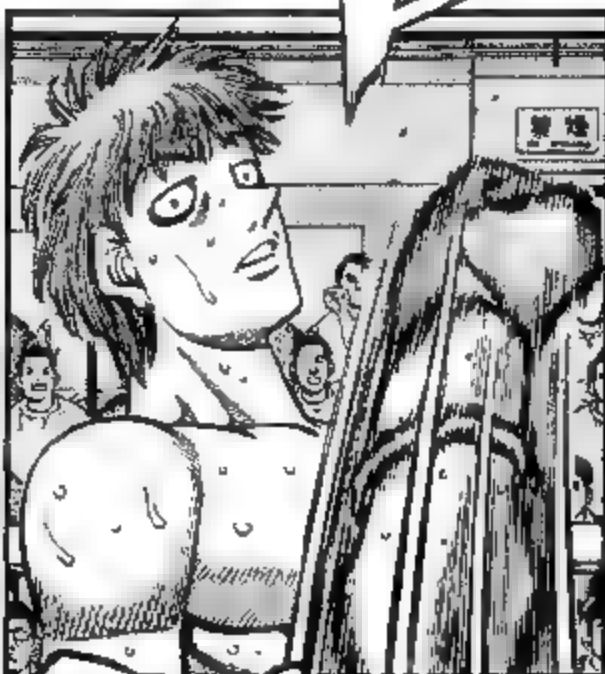








HE'S GOT GOOD LEGS, IMAI-KUN SIMPLY CAN'T CATCH HIM



H-, HE HASN'T BEEN HIT AT ALL...!?



HE REALLY DOES HAVE FOOTWORK AT THE SAME LEVEL AS MANA-BU-KUN



SORRY, BUT YOU WON'T HIT ME

BUT YOUR SWING'S TOO WIDE

I HEARD YOU WERE AN AMATEUR ELITE, BUT THIS IS A DISAPPOINTMENT



THAT'S ONE DANGEROUS PLINCH



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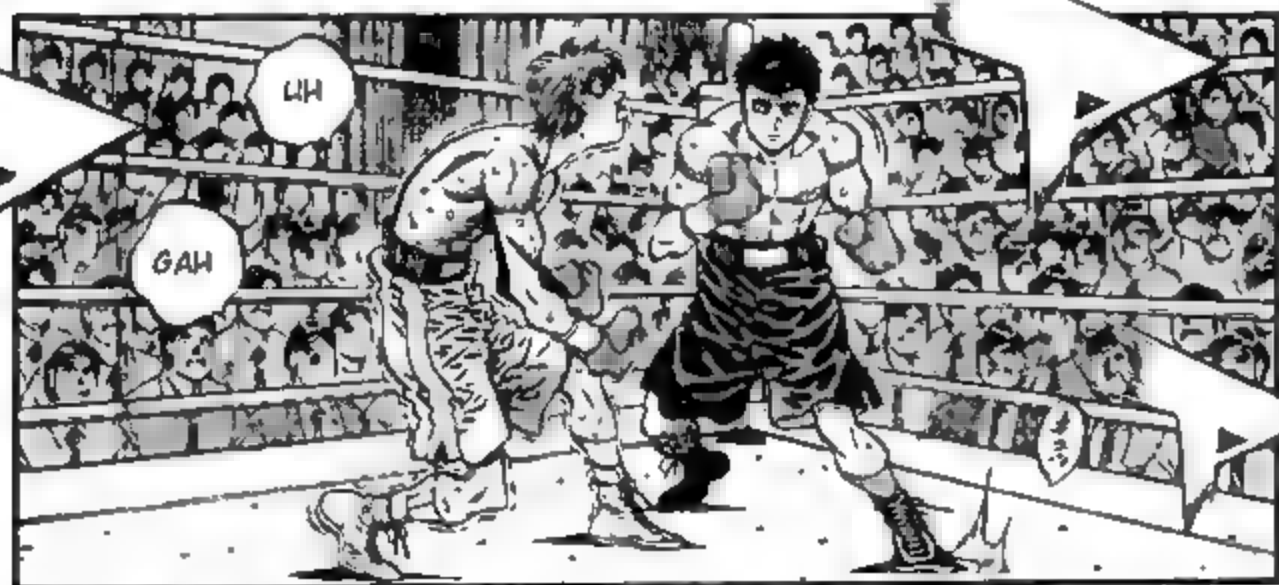
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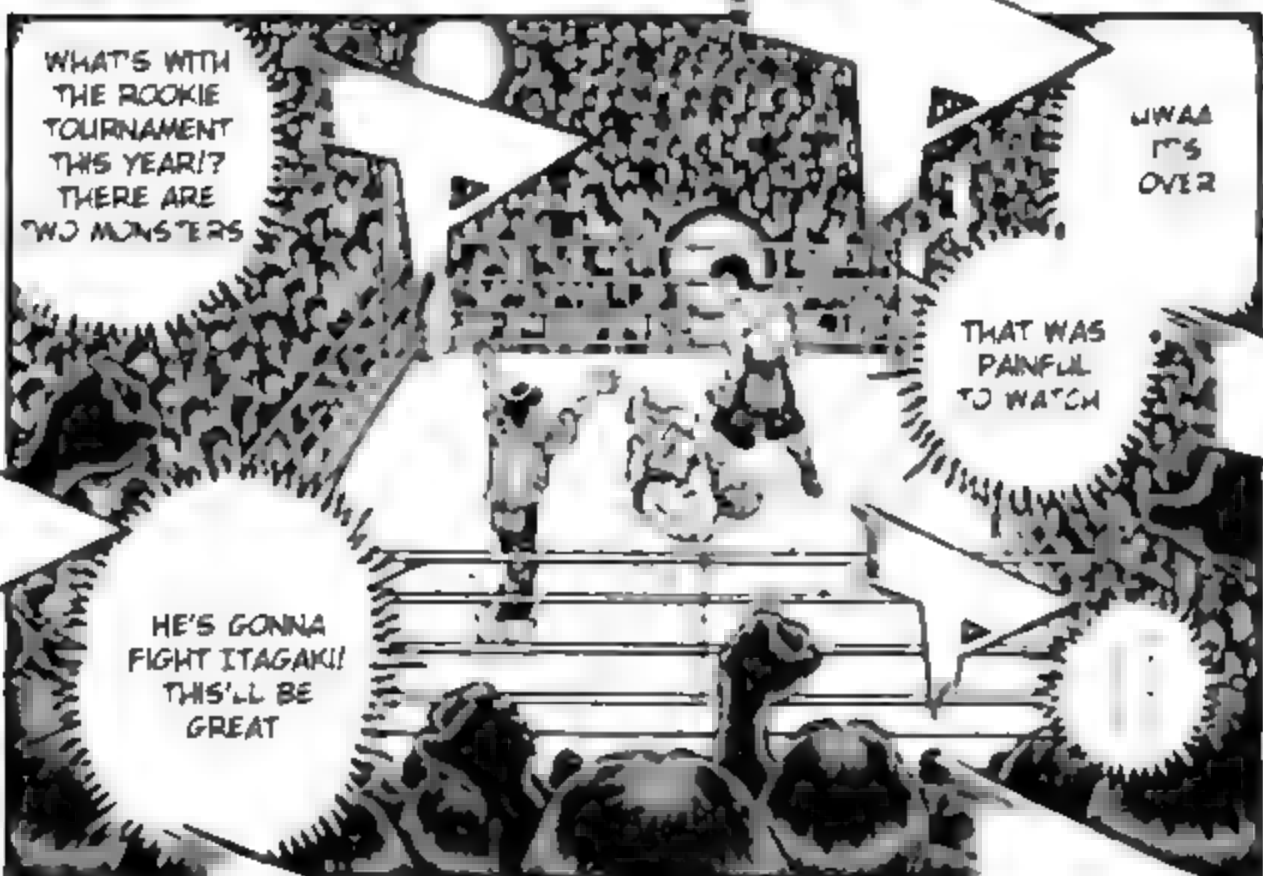


NOW IT'S MY TURN

GOT IT
















IT'S PRETTY  
EASY TO SEE  
WHY ITAGAKI  
NEVER COULD  
MAKE IT PAST  
NUMBER 2 IN  
THE AMATEUR  
LEAGUES



IMAI'S  
JUST TOO  
GOOD

IT JUST  
DOESN'T  
FEEL AS  
GOOD TO  
SEE SOMEONE  
WIN LIKE  
THAT




IT'S TOO  
BAD IMAI  
WAS BORN  
IN THE  
SAME TIME  
PERIOD...




IF  
YOU'RE  
IN HIS  
SHADOW,  
THEN  
HISTORY  
WON'T SEE  
YOU

BECAUSE  
THERE CAN  
ONLY BE  
ONE KING



NO MATTER  
HOW MUCH  
TALENT YOU  
HAVE, IF  
YOU AREN'T  
THE BEST,  
YOU'RE NOTHING



IT'S  
ALL MY  
FAULT



EH  
...?



...  
VERY  
TRUE



IS  
NOW!!

AND THE  
WORST TIME  
TO LIVE





# はじめての一步

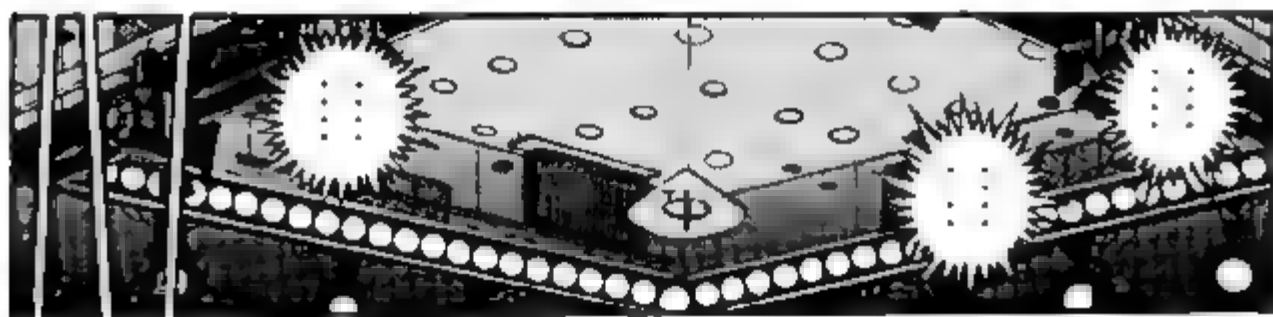




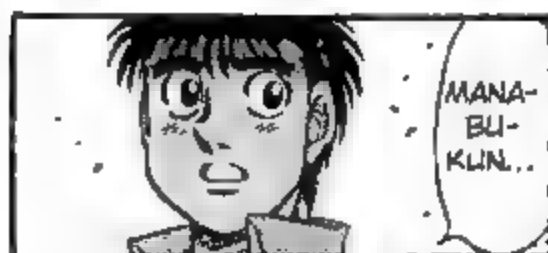
# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩



Round 572 The Dempsey Roll Under Siege















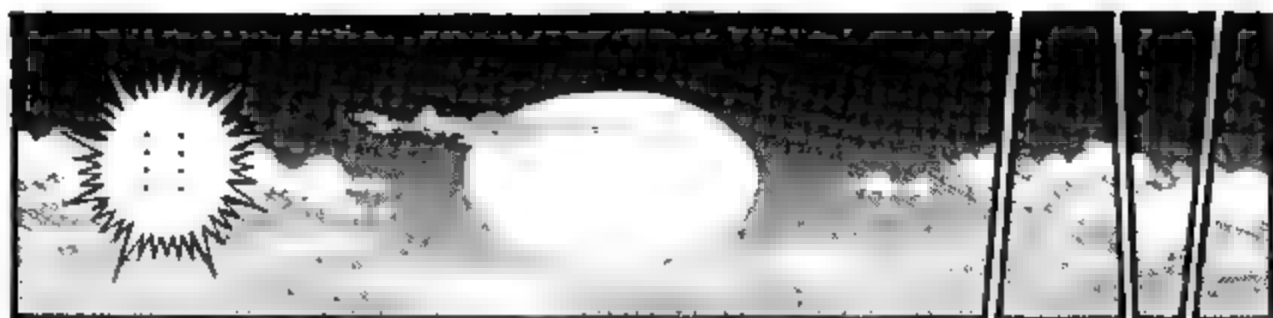






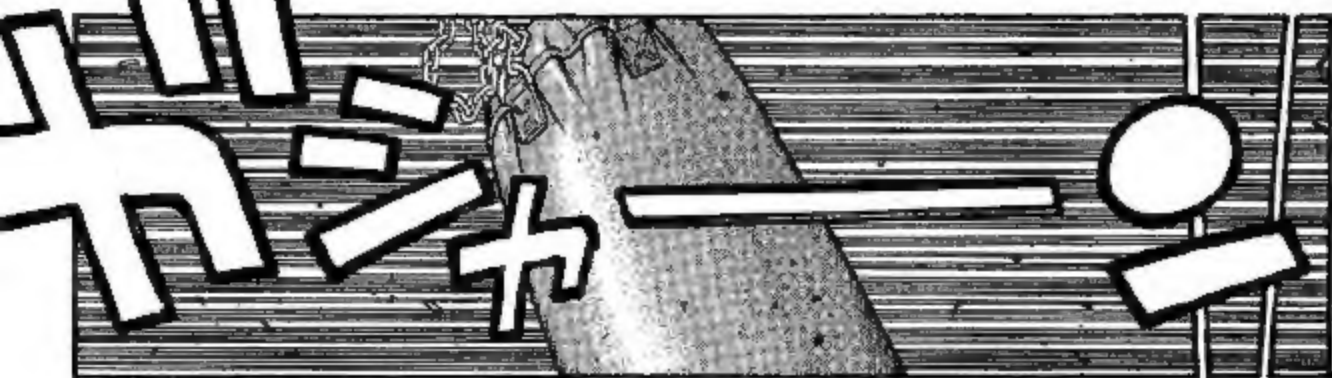






















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